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PURPOSES

To acquire, maintain, and open to the public, under suitable regulations, beautiful and historical places within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

AUTHORITY

A corporation, established in 1891 by the General Court, with authority to acquire beautiful and historical places by gift, devise, or purchase, and to hold such lands open to the public and exempt from taxation.

Empowered by law to acquire gifts of funds for the purpose of maintaining such lands and for promoting the objects of the Corporation.

Office of The Trustees

Laurence B. Fletcher, Executive Secretary

50 Congress Street, Boston

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The illustration on the cover, from a photograph by Bradford Williams, shows the Rocky Narrows, Sherborn, a property secured by The Trustees in 1897.

The plates used throughout the report show other places of interest to The Trustees which have been secured or which are worthy of preservation.

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TRUSTEES, 1936

Mrs. Gordon Abbott
Boston

John S. Ames Boston Oakes Ames North Easton

GEN. FRANCIS H. APPLETON

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Cambridge
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Worcester
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m Worcester}$ HENRY McBurney PHILIP L. SPALDING Stockbridge Milton MISS HELOISE MEYER WILLIAM H. SPERRY North Adams Lenox PAUL B. MORGAN CHARLES A. STONE Worcester Plymouth George R. Nutter FRANK TAYLOR Boston Hudson FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED Mrs. Bayard Thayer Brookline MAURICE M. OSBORNE HON. ALLEN T. TREADWAY Boston Stockbridge ROBERT TREAT PAINE GEORGE H. TUCKER Waltham Pittsfield BRADLEY W. PALMER HON. ELIOT WADSWORTH Boston Boston HON, HERBERT PARKER Hon. Robert Walcott Lancaster Cambridge Dr. John C. Phillips Bentley W. Warren Wenham Williamstown DUDLEY L. PICKMAN PROF. FRANK A. WAUGH Billerica Amherst CHARLES S. PIERCE WILLIAM P. WHARTON Milton Groton ROGER PIERCE Robert K. Wheeler Milton Great Barrington Frank J. Pope Bradford Williams Great Barrington Newton OLIVER PRESCOTT JOHN WOODBURY New Bedford Canton THOMAS EMERSON PROCTOR 2ND Frank H. Wright Hamilton Great Barrington Hon. B. Loring Young

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Weston

PROPERTIES SECURED

In Full or in Part Through the Activities of

THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC RESERVATIONS

Acquir	ED RESERVATION	ACREAGE
1892	VIRGINIA WOOD, MIDDLESEX FELLS	20
1893	Province Lands, Cape Cod	2000
1893	METROPOLITAN PARK SYSTEM, BOSTON	
1894	GOODWILL PARK, FALMOUTH	146
1897	MOUNT ANN PARK, GLOUCESTER	72
1897	Rocky Narrows, Sherborn	21
1898	GOVERNOR HUTCHINSON'S FIELD, MILTON	10
1899	MONUMENT MOUNTAIN, GREAT BARRINGTON .	260
1902	PINE KNOLL, SHEFFIELD	6
1906	PETTICOAT HILL, WILLIAMSBURG	60
1907	HARVARD FOREST, PETERSHAM	2100
1928	WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT HOMESTEAD, CUM-	
	MINGTON	240
1929	CHESTERFIELD GORGE, WEST CHESTERFIELD .	13
1929	OLD TOWN HILL, NEWBURY	25
1933	WHITNEY WOODS, COHASSET	640
1933	BOXFORD STATE FOREST, BOXFORD	500
1933	GEORGETOWN-ROWLEY STATE FOREST, ROWLEY.	700
1934	Breakheart Hill, Saugus and Wakefield .	650
1934	ROLAND C. NICKERSON FOREST PARK, BREWSTER	1500
1934	JOHN C. ROBINSON STATE PARK, AGAWAM	680
1934	Medfield Rhododendrons, Medfield	27
1934	Halibut Point, Rockport	12
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FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

In submitting this report the Standing Committee wishes to thank all those friends of beautiful and historical places whose coöperation and interest have made this a noteworthy year in the history of The Trustees.

OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF 1935

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES

Holyoke: 7 acres at the eastern foot of Mt. Tom, purchased to preserve a remarkable prehistoric trace,—the Dinosaur's Footprints.

Waltham-Watertown: 80 acres of English park-like scenery with an historic mansion, secured through coöperation with other societies, to be held as "Gore Place" by the Gore Place Society

Worcester: 7 acres on the eastern shore of Coes Pond, preserved through local arrangements with the City of Worcester, to be known as Columbus Park.

Cohasset: 25 acres of woodland known as the Bancroft Sanctuary, gift of the Federation of the Bird Clubs of New England.

Salem: 68 acres comprising four-fifths of Misery Island near Beverly and Manchester, presented through subscription by local residents.

LANDSCAPE PRESERVATION

Stimulation of general public interest in the preservation of beautiful and historical places in Massachusetts, through:

- (1) Issue of 3,000 copies of an Annual Report for the preceding year, descriptive of the work of The Trustees.
- (2) Continued circulation of a handsomely illustrated lecture, heard by 4,000 people during the year, on the great need for preserving places of natural beauty and historic significance.
- (3) Inspection of many well-known and a number of less familiar places of scenic and historic interest during five field trips.

Preservation of an outstanding hilltop view in Essex County through arrangement of a bequest.

Extension of the list of Coöperating Societies established in 1934, each of whom has agreed to maintain a Committee on Scenic and Historic Preservation for the purpose of working with The Trustees.

Increase over the 1934 membership of The Trustees by addition of 2 Founders, 55 Life Associates, and 82 Associate Members and Contributors.

COÖPERATION

With national, state, and regional governmental bodies to further the general Conservation movement.

With private organizations in supporting or opposing legislative matters affecting the Preservation interests of The Trustees.

ACTIVITIES OF THE YEAR

Growth of public interest in the preservation of beautiful and historical places in the Commonwealth has been marked during the past year. Particularly gratifying is the increase in membership of The Trustees, including all forms of association, which has now reached 455 as against 320 for the preceding twelvementh.

Your Standing Committee takes pleasure in announcing the new enrollment of two Founders and fifty-five Life Associates during the year:

FOUNDERS

MISS HELEN C. FRICK

Mrs. William H. Moore

LIFE ASSOCIATES

Mrs. Richard S. Humphrey Mr. Gordon Abbott MR. SYDNEY E. HUTCHINSON MR. GORDON ABBOTT, JR. Mrs. Henry P. King Mrs. Oliver Ames Mrs. Standish Backus MR. ROBERT W. KNOWLES MRS. JOSEPH LEITER ESTATE OF FRANK B. BEMIS Mrs. Lester Leland Mrs. Chandler Bigelow MISS FANNY P. MASON Mrs. Charles Sumner Bird Mrs. Charles S. Bird, Jr. Mrs. J. A. McGinley ESTATE OF B. G. BOARDMAN Mrs. Katherine Ayer Merrill Mr. Noel Morss Mr. Richard de B. Boardman Mr. RALPH BRADLEY NOANETT GARDEN CLUB Mr. Robert S. Bradley Mr. John B. Paine Mrs. Albert C. Burrage MR. R. T. PAINE, 2ND MRS. JOHN S. CURTIS Mr. Dudley L. Pickman MR. RICHARD C. CURTIS Mr. NEAL RANTOUL Mrs. Richard E. Danielson Mr. NEAL RANTOUL, TRUSTEE Mrs. Walter D. Denegre Mr. Richard D. Sears Mrs. Franklin Dexter Mr. Quincy A. Shaw Mr. Gordon Dexter Mr. William D. Sohier PROF. WILLIAM EMERSON Mr. William D. Sohier, Jr. Mr. Eugene Endicott Mr. John T. Spaulding Mr. S. H. Fessenden Mr. Pierpont L. Stackpole Miss Margaret A. Fish Mrs. W. B. Thomas Mrs. Homer Gage Mr. Bayard Warren Mr. Malcolm W. Greenough MR. WILLIAM P. WHARTON MR. ALEXANDER WHITESIDE TRUSTEES OF HAVEN LAND TRUST Mr. Robert F. Herrick Mrs. Ralph B. Williams Mrs. William M. Wood

During the period covered by this report The Trustees have aided in the preservation of five properties varying in size from seven to eighty acres.

BANCROFT SANCTUARY, COHASSET

Another welcome addition to Whitney Woods has been received in the gift of a tract of twenty-five acres of mixed woodland in Cohasset. In 1926 Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bancroft

presented a twenty-acre piece to the Federation of the Bird Clubs of New England for use as a bird sanctuary. The following year the same donors added five acres adjoining, which included four acres of marsh and pond particularly favored by migratory fowl in season.

Due to the close proximity of the property to Whitney Woods, the Federation deemed it advisable to transfer the title to The Trustees. In cooperation with the South Shore Nature Club, one of The Trustees' Coöperating Societies, the area will continue to be maintained as a bird sanctuary.

COES POND, WORCESTER

Those who have followed with interest the course of the illustrated lectures offered by The Trustees will be pleased to learn of the preservation of at least one beautiful place as a direct outcome of the series. Following a presentation of THE Trustees' work before a meeting of 400 members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society, Mrs. Carey H. Melville of Worcester approached The Trustees with a view to preservation of seven acres of land on the shore of Coes Pond. Inspection of the property itself proved the importance of its being preserved as part of the enframement of the last unspoiled large body of water in Worcester. Following suggestions made by The Trustees, a scheme was devised whereby a local neighborhood group purchased the property and handed it over to the City of Worcester to be administered by its Park Department. The deed included a restrictive covenant whereby no structures such as bathhouses or refreshment booths should ever be erected on the property.

DINOSAUR FOOTPRINTS, HOLYOKE

Although the people of Massachusetts have long been recognized as solicitous for the safety of their historical landmarks, it remained until this year for one of the most significant -the Dinosaur Footprints near the city of Holyoke—to be preserved through the agency of The Trustees. One hundred fifty million years ago these great reptilian monsters frequented the low marshlands of what is now the Connecticut Valley. The record of their going and coming, singly or in families, can be traced to-day in the great three-toed footprints embedded in the red sandstone, measuring some fifteen inches from front to back and nearly five feet between prints.

Realizing the importance of securing this property before it might be sold for commercial exploitation, The Trustees made arrangements with the owner, Mr. George Pellissier of Holyoke, for its purchase. Although temporarily secured, full preservation of the area awaits the successful completion of a

local appeal.

GORE PLACE, WALTHAM AND WATERTOWN

Through the alert watchfulness of Mrs. Alexander Forbes, chairman of the Preservation Committee of one of The Trustees' Cooperating Societies (the National Civic Federation, Woman's Department, Massachusetts Section), attention of The Trustees was again brought to the picturesque old Governor Gore Estate in Waltham and Watertown. Upon investigation this historic countryseat was found to be not only on the market but in immediate danger of being sold and broken up for houselots. The Standing Committee was immediately called to sit in joint session with the governing boards of the Massachusetts Society of Colonial Dames of America and the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities, which resulted in a demand for the preservation of the property. Pledges for nearly \$6000 were secured by telephone from interested friends within a space of twenty-four hours; the Colonial Dames made a generous subscription of \$2,500 accompanied by a loan of \$1,000; and those sums were supplemented by the results of formal appeals later issued by The Trustees and the SPNEA. At the conclusion of this activity the newly formed Gore Place Society took title to the property.

Although the rolls of The Trustees do not carry the names of those who responded to the Standing Committee's formal appeal for Gore Place or whose subscriptions to that cause were indirectly due to the agency of The Trustees, appropriate acknowledgment should be made of the generous assistance of its many friends, and especially to Dr. Richard C. Cabot, Mrs. Richard T. Fisher, Mrs. Henry S. Hunnewell, Miss Mabel Lyman, Miss Evelyn G. Sears, Mr. Francis C. Sears, and Mrs.

Richard M. Saltonstall.

MISERY ISLAND, SALEM

Few sections of the long Massachusetts coast line possess a beauty equal to that of the shore at Beverly and Manchester. The Trustees welcome an opportunity to aid in the preservation of any portions of it, but happily they were able to assist during the year in securing even more valuable property,—a

landmark conspicuous in the view from that shore.

Residents of the North Shore will not soon forget their apprehensions over the threatened development of an "oil farm" on Misery Island a year or more ago. When strong opposition obtained a momentary victory, the leaders took advantage of aroused public opinion and at once took steps to secure an option on the property. An appeal was made to landowners on the adjoining shores, offering participation at fifty dollars a share of the purchase price, and recommending that subscriptions be made in proportion to the tax valuation of their individual properties. The appeal was successful, and 68 acres of the 80-

acre island were handed over to The Trustees with the promise of a sufficient endowment to enable them to care for it.

CONSERVATION AWARD

The annual award, now granted for three successive years in recognition of distinguished service in the field of Conservation, was announced at the recent annual luncheon. President Herbert Parker, on behalf of the Corporation and all friends of conservation, named William P. Wharton, Esq., of Groton, as the recipient for 1935 of the silver salver inscribed in the name of The Trustees. In the absence of Mr. Wharton the gift was graciously acknowledged by his sister, Mrs. C. Wharton Smith.

ANNUAL REPORT

Continuing the policy of presenting in the Annual Report an attractive account of The Trustees' accomplishments over some forty years, the Standing Committee made available 3,000 copies of the Annual Report for 1934. These were issued to members and interested friends of The Trustees, and yet the supply was inadequate to meet the demand. New features embodied in the Report included a statement from the Standing Committee as to The Trustees' policy on management of their reservations through Local Committees, and also a statement as to the conditions under which local societies expressing a willingness to coöperate with The Trustees might become affiliated,—two features continued in the current Report.

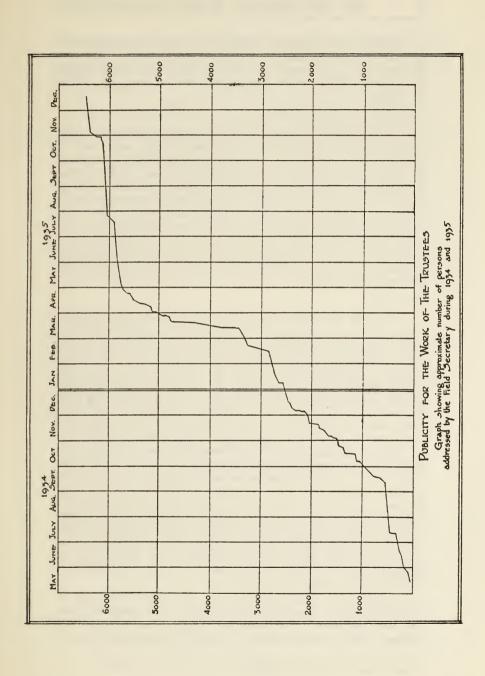
All friends of The Trustees are reminded that the Standing Committee will welcome suggestions of names of persons interested in preserving beautiful and historic places to whom an Annual Report may be sent with an invitation to become

enrolled in some form of membership.

LECTURES

The success of the illustrated lecture circulated by The Trustees has been unprecedented. No less than 4,000 persons, in this commonwealth alone, viewed the very handsomely colored slides shown by the Field Secretary during the year, and learned at first hand of The Trustees' responsibilities and accomplishments. There are, however, many groups who have not yet availed themselves of this opportunity to become informed on the "Preservation of Beautiful and Historic Places in Massachusetts"; and to these it is suggested that an engagement be fixed at once for the coming season.

While the lecture was first offered to the public without charge, the demand for it soon became so great that the Standing Committee felt obliged to set a minimum fee of fifteen dollars per engagement. In this way local societies are given an opportunity to share with The Trustees in the cost of this work.



A second lecture is now offered for the first time to the many groups who have asked for a "return engagement." The new lecture, again illustrated with slides colored by Mrs. Edythe W. Andrews, tells a no less fascinating story of the work of The Trustees.

COÖPERATING SOCIETIES

It will be remembered from the preceding Annual Report that one of the purposes of The Trustees' lectures has been to stimulate an enduring interest in preservation work throughout the state. With this in mind the Standing Committee is gratified at the growing number of societies who have expressed a willingness to coöperate with The Trustees through appointment of a local Committee on Scenic and Historic Preservation. The number of Coöperating Societies has now reached 47. Their value has already been proved, as in the case of the Woman's Department of the National Civic Federation, Massachusetts Section, whose Preservation Committee Chairman* sounded the alarm for Gore Place.

PROPOSALS

One of the most direct signs of a growing interest in the preservation field is the increase in the number of proposals that have been brought to the attention of The Trustees during the last year. Among the more interesting suggestions that have been carefully examined by the Standing Committee are those proposing preservation of a tract of native rhododendron at Hubbardston, some rugged cliffs in the town of Auburn near Worcester, a reputed Indian Village in Brookline, a tract of rocky shore in Magnolia, a rugged eminence in Leominster, and an attractive pine knoll on the Squannacook at Townsend.

Other proposals to which the Standing Committee has continued to give unremitting attention with some hopes of success have to do with the preservation of Mt. Holyoke in the Connecticut Valley; the Devil's Den in Williamsburg, a little-known but wild and rocky gorge near Northampton; Whately Glen, a picturesque valley and secluded cataract much enjoyed by picnickers in the Connecticut Valley; Bartholomew's Cobble, a rarely beautiful rocky outcrop, home of the walking fern, on the banks of the Housatonic in Sheffield; and Noon Hill, an unspoiled tract of hill and meadow in Medfield near Boston, bordering the valley of the Charles.

A noteworthy accomplishment of the year, which can be mentioned only in general terms, has been an arrangement for the preservation of an outstanding hilltop view not far from Boston. The property offered was carefully inspected by your

^{*}Mrs. Alexander Forbes. See page 5.

Standing Committee, and The Trustees have accepted the promise of a bequest including an endowment to meet the probable costs of maintenance.

FIELD TRIPS

Five times during the year The Trustes extended an invitation for a Field Trip: twice to the Berkshires in the spring, and three times to Essex County in the fall. Numerous hospitalities were offered during these occasions. On the three-day western trip Major Hugh Smiley opened to the party his house and grounds at South Egremont, commanding a superb view of Guilder Hollow and Jug End. Those who braved the rain on that memorable day in Essex County have not ceased being grateful for Mrs. Ward's cheerful fires (as solace for a beclouded view) at Holt's Hill in Andover; nor will they forget the generous reception given them by Dr. and Mrs. Phillips at "Windyknob" in Wenham. The success of these trips has inspired The Trustes to plan new excursions afield, but a detailed account of the anticipated pleasures must be postponed until a later date.

COÖPERATION

In any listing of the activities of The Trustees, reference should be made to the Executive Secretary's painstaking efforts on behalf of the Standing Committee in making appearances at the State House to speak for or against those legislative bills on which The Trustees should be recorded. Through the Executive Secretary The Trustees appeared in favor of or in opposition to the following bills:

- 1. House No. 666—For legislation to provide protection of wild azaleas, wild orchids, and cardinal flowers.
- 2. House No. 218—Authorizing the acquisition of land for State Forest Parks.
- 3. House No. 218—Authorizing the acquisition of ocean beaches.
- 4. Senate No. 8—For legislation relative to the development of Cedar Swamp Pond, so called, and adjacent territory in Town of Milford for recreational and other purposes.
- 5. House No. 415—For improved methods of municipal planning by providing for establishment of municipal planning boards.
- 6. House No. 419—For establishment of an unpaid State Planning Board and prescribing its duties and powers.
- 7. House No. 303—To provide for scientific surveys to determine the geological, biological, and other natural resources of the Commonwealth.

- 8. Senate No. 403—For an investigation by special commission relative to billboards and other outdoor advertising devices.
- House No. 2255—Regulating the business of outdoor advertising and advertising signs and devices within public view.
- House No. 626—For creation of a division of recreation in the Metropolitan District Commission.
- 11. House No. 1430—That the Metropolitan District Commission be authorized to provide adequate equipment and facilities for the playground at Nahant Beach in Lynn.

BEQUESTS

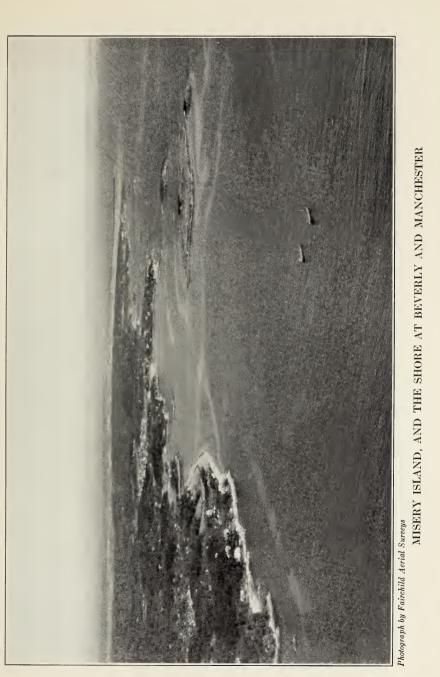
With recent years the name of The Trustees has become ever more widely known throughout the commonwealth for their achievements in the preservation field. This new knowledge has brought added demands upon the Corporation's resources which are slender at best. While a growing popular appreciation of The Trustees' work has been accompanied by an increasingly generous public support, a scanning of the Report of the Treasurer on page 48 will show how close is the margin that permits The Trustees to operate. It must be remembered that the Corporation receives no pecuniary assistance from the State, but finances its work entirely upon the basis of income from a comparatively small amount of invested funds, supplemented by public subscription.

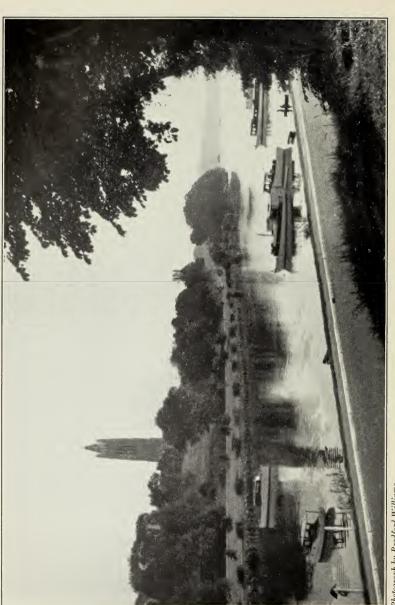
The Trustes welcome new responsibilities, but they would be in a position to accept them with greater confidence if their financial security were more assured. The annual appeals continue to serve their purpose, especially when met by as generous a response as that of recent years. But it is hoped that the many friends of beautiful and historic places in this commonwealth will remember that the Corporation's great need is for a substantial endowment. The officers of The Trustes stand ready to offer their services to any who, while unable to render this assistance now, still wish to arrange with certainty for a permanent and enduring benefaction in the future.

THE TRUSTEES' roll of Founders, which appears upon pages 12 and 13 of this Report, is still open.

ANNUAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE

The Forty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Corporation was held at the Hotel Kenmore, Boston, on January 29, 1936, with President Herbert Parker in the chair. The reports of officers and committees for 1935 were presented, and appropriate action taken.





Photograph by Bradford Williams

FOR AN ACCOUNT OF THE RELATION OF THE TRUSTEES TO THE METROPOLITAN PARK SYSTEM, SEE PAGE 31 VIEW ACROSS THE CHARLES AT WATERTOWN

At the conclusion of the Annual Meeting of the Corporation, 108 members, associates, and guests sat down to luncheon.

Following luncheon, the President made the presentation of

the Conservation Award for 1935*.

Four speakers concluded the program: Mr. Charles S. Bird, Jr., Chairman of the Standing Committee, listed the accomplishments of the year and outlined a program of activities for 1936; Mr. William Roger Greeley, member of the Standing Committee, spoke briefly on the value of preservation work; Dr. Samuel A. Eliot, long a member of the Corporation, presented recollections of the early years of The Trustees; and Mr. Bradford Williams, Field Secretary, described the results of work in the preservation field during 1935 and illustrated his remarks with lantern slides drawn from The Trustees' lectures.

PLANS AND POLICIES FOR 1936

- 1. To foster a widespread sentiment for the preservation of beautiful and historical places.
- 2. To coöperate with all persons and agencies actively interested in securing places "worthy of preservation for the enjoyment of the public."
- 3. To establish an active local Preservation Committee in each community throughout the State for the purpose of furthering the aims and purposes of The Trustees.
- 4. To maintain and develop the reservations entrusted to the care of The Trustees.
- 5. To preserve places of scenic beauty and historic interest wherever found in Massachusetts, by purchase or gift, or by means of easements or special agreements with landowners concerning the future use of their properties.

^{*} See page 6 for an account of the award.

FOUNDERS

Donors of money or property to the value of \$1000 and upwards since the foundation of The Trustees in 1891

This list does not include many founders, such as Charles eliot, Charles sprague sargent, nathaniel s. shaler, henry p. walcott and others who have rendered service to The Trustees which cannot be valued in money.

1892
Mrs. Fanny Foster Tudor, Boston Virginia Wood Miss Ellen Chase, Brookline \$1000 Donation
Joseph Story Fay, Falmouth Goodwill Park
AUGUSTUS HEMENWAY, Canton
MRS. MARY F. CUNNINGHAM, Brookline MRS. JOHN M. FORBES, Milton MRS. EDITH E. FORBES, Milton EDWARD W. FORBES, Cambridge J. MALCOLM FORBES, Milton GEORGE R. R. RIVERS, Milton MISS MARY RIVERS, Milton MRS. K. G. T. WEBSTER, Cambridge GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH, Milton The state of the
MISS HELEN C. BUTLER, New York Monument Mountain Reservation with \$2000 endowment
1902 Joseph S. Glover, Boston \$2000 Legacy
MISS MARY E. DEWEY, Boston Pine Knoll with \$1000 endowment
Mrs. Edward W. Nash, Boston Petticoat Hill with \$1000 endowment

FOUNDERS

Miss Helen C. Butler, New York	006 k Additional \$5000 donation for Monument Mountain Reservation
MISS SARAH B. FAY, Falmouth . HENRY H. FAY, Falmouth	
II D D	\$5000 Legacy
19 ARTHUR F. ESTABROOK, Boston .	923 \$30,500 Legacy
Mrs. Minna Godwin Goddard, N	with \$10,000
Conrad G. Goddard, New York George Wigglesworth, Milton	endowment Bryant Memorabilia \$1000 Donation for Mount Ann Park
Miss Julia Sands Bryant, New Yo	ork \$10,000 Legacy for Bryant Homestead
C III NEIL	31 \$5000 Legacy
John S. Ames, Boston Arthur N. Milliken, Boston .	\$2096 Donation \$5000 Donation for Whitney Woods
JOHN C. PHILLIPS, Wenham	\$1500 Donation 34 \$1000 Donation for
	Halibut Point
Mrs. William H. Moore, New Yo	Misery Island

LIFE ASSOCIATES

Donors of Property of a Value of, or of Sums of, not less than \$100

MISS CONSTANCE L. ABBO		CORNELIUS CRANE	(1932)
Haverhill	(1932)	Ipswich	
GORDON ABBOTT	(1935)	Mrs. S. V. R. Crosby	(1930)
Manchester		Manchester	
Mrs. Gordon Abbott	(1934)	Mrs. Francis B. Crownin	SHIELD
Manchester		Boston	(1934)
GORDON ABBOTT, JR.	(1935)	MISS HESTER CUNNINGHA	
Manchester	,	Milton	(1898)
Mrs. Oliver Ames	(1935)	Mrs. John S. Curtis	
North Easton	(2000)	Boston	(1000)
Mrs. Helen K. Appleton	(1039)		(1935)
Boston	(100%)	Manchester	(1000)
Mrs. Standish Backus	(1935)	Mrs. Richard E. Daniel	TEOD
Grosse Pointe, Michigan		Boston	(1935)
Mrs. William Hewson Ba		MRS. WALTER D. DENEGR	
Wellesley	(1934)	Manchester	(1935)
A. FARWELL BEMIS	(1930)	Mrs. Warner Denton	(1926)
Chestnut Hill		New York	
ESTATE OF FRANK B. BEM		MRS. FRANKLIN DEXTER	(1935)
Boston	(1935)	Boston	
Mrs. Chandler Bigelow	(1935)	GORDON DEXTER	(1935)
Beverly Farms		Boston	
Mrs. Charles Sumner Bi	RD	WILLIAM ELLERY	(1932)
East Walpole	(1935)	Chestnut Hill	
East Walpole Charles S. Bird, Jr.	(1931)	RAYMOND EMERSON	(1930)
East Walpole	, ,	Concord	` ′
MRS. CHARLES S. BIRD, JR.	(1935)	WILLIAM EMERSON	(1935)
East Walpole	,	Cambridge	(/
ESTATE OF B. G. BOARDMA	AN	EUGENE ENDICOTT	(1935)
Boston	(1935)	Norwood	(1000)
RICHARD DE B. BOARDMAN	(S. H. Fessenden	(1935)
Marblehead	(1000)	Manchester	(1000)
RALPH BRADLEY	(1935)	Miss Margaret A. Fish	(1935)
Boston	(1999)	Brookline	(1900)
ROBERT S. BRADLEY	(1935)	LAURENCE B. FLETCHER	(1930)
	(1955)	~ .	(1990)
Beverly Farms	(1000)	Cohasset	(1000)
Joseph Brewer	(1898)	ALEXANDER FORBES	(1930)
Milton	(2000)	Milton	(1000)
MISS BREWER	(1898)	Mrs. Rose D. Forbes	(1898)
Milton	/	Milton	(=0.00)
Mrs. Albert C. Burragi	E(1935)	J. Murray Forbes	(1898)
Boston		Milton	4 >
MISS C. H. CABOT	(1898)	W. CAMERON FORBES	(1898)
Brookline		Westwood	
Miss Ada L. Comstock	(1934)	RALPH E. FORBES	(1898)
Cambridge		Milton	

MRS. LOUIS A. FROTHINGH		R. T. PAINE, 2ND	(1935)
North Easton	(1932)	Manchester	
	(1935)	DUDLEY L. PICKMAN	(1935)
Shrewsbury		Billerica	
MALCOLM W. GREENOUGH		VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT SO	CIETY
Boston	(1935)	of Pigeon Cove	(1934)
DONALD GREGG	(1934)	Rockport	
Wellesley		NEAL RANTOUL	(1935)
TRUSTEES OF HAVEN LAND	TRUST	Beverly Farms	
Boston	(1935)	NEAL RANTOUL, TRUSTEE	(1935)
ROBERT F. HERRICK	(1935)	Boston	` '
Wareham	,	JAMES SAVAGE RUSSELL	(1898)
MRS. RICHARD S. HUMPHR	EY	Milton	,
Brookline	(1935)	MRS. RICHARD M. SALTON	STALL
SYDNEY E. HUTCHINSON	(1935)	Chestnut Hill	(1930)
Philadelphia, Pennsylvan		RICHARD D. SEARS	(1935)
Miss M. C. Jackson	(1892)	Boston	(1000)
Boston	(100%)	HENRY L. SHATTUCK	(1934)
MISS HELEN L. JAQUES	(1898)	Boston	(1001)
Milton	(1000)	QUINCY A. SHAW	(1935)
NATHANIEL T. KIDDER	(1892)	Boston	(1000)
Milton	(100%)	WILLIAM D. SOHIER	(1935)
Mrs. Henry P. King	(1935)	Boston	(1000)
Boston	(1939)		(1025)
ROBERT W. KNOWLES	(1005)	WILLIAM D. SOHIER, JR. Boston	(1935)
_	(1935)		(1005)
Beverly Farms	(1007)	JOHN T. SPAULDING	(1935)
Mrs. Joseph Leiter	(1935)	Beverly Farms	(100*)
Prides Crossing	(700 =)	PIERPONT L. STACKPOLE	(1935)
MRS. LESTER LELAND	(1935)	Manchester	(*000)
Manchester	(JOHN E. THAYER	(1892)
ALEXANDER LINCOLN	(1930)	South Lancaster	(" 0 0 ")
Boston	(Mrs. W. B. Thomas	(1935)
A. LAWRENCE LOWELL	(1930)	Manchester	
Boston		VALLEY LAND OWNERS	(
MISS FANNY P. MASON	(1935)	ASSOCIATION	(1934)
Boston	, ,	Needham	()
MRS. J. A. McGINLEY	(1935)	ROBERT WALCOTT	(1930)
Manchester		Cambridge	
MRS. KATHERINE AYER M		BAYARD WARREN	(1935)
Prides Crossing	(1935)	Prides Crossing	
JOHN T. MORSE, JR.	(1913)	WILLIAM P. WHARTON	(1935)
Needham		Groton	
Noel Morss	(1935)	ALEXANDER WHITESIDE	(1935)
West Manchester		Boston	
NOANETT GARDEN CLUB	(1935)	Mrs. Ralph B. Williams	(1935)
of Massachusetts		Dover	
MRS. RUTH A. OAKES	(1929)	Mrs. William M. Wood	(1935)
Gloucester		Prides Crossing	
FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED	(1930)	JOHN WOODBURY	(1930)
Brookline	, ,	Canton	
JOHN B. PAINE	(1935)	PHILIP W. WRENN	(1934)
Weston		Dedham	

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS

Note: Subscriptions and donations made in response to appeals issued by The Trustees during the year 1935 are acknowledged in this list.†

	G	ENERAL	Арреа	LS	
Name	Founder	Life Associate	Associate Member–1935	Contributor-1935	Special Appeal For Misery . Island
Abbott, Miss Constance L. Abbott, Gordon. Abbott, Mrs. Gordon. Abbott, Gordon, Jr. Agassiz, Mrs. G. R. Agassiz, Mrs. Rudolph L. Alger, Estate of Frederick M. Allen, Philip R. Altpeter, L. Stanford. Ames, John S. Ames, Mrs. Oliver. Ames, Mrs. William H. Amesbury Improvement Association. Andover Garden Club. Annett, C. B. Anonymous (W. C. C.) Anonymous (E. M. S.). Anonymous (F. R. T.) Anonymous (Hingham). Appalachian Mountain Club. Appleton, Francis H. Appleton, William Sumner. Atkins, Mrs. Edwin F. Auburn Woman's Club.		****	**************************************	*	ag*
Ayer, Charles F. Ayer, Frederick Backus, Mrs. Standish Bagg, Aaron C. Baker, Hugh P. Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson S. Baylies, Mrs. Walter C. Bazeley, William A. L.			*	*	
Belmont Garden Club Bemis, Estate of Frank B		*		*	******

 $[\]dagger$ Many names appearing in this list will also be found on pages 12 to 15 in the list of Founders and Life Associates.

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Name	Founder	Life Associate	Associate Member-1935	Contributor-1935	Special Appeal For Misery Island
Bent, A. Cleveland				*	
Berlin Tuesday Club				*	
Bessey, Mrs. Earle E			*		
Beverly Public Library				*	
Bigelow, Mrs. Chandler		*			*
Bird, Mrs. Charles Sumner		*			
Bird, Charles S., Jr					
Bird, Mrs. Charles S., Jr					
Blake, J. A. Lowell.					
Boardman, Estate of B. G					
Boardman, Mrs. Gerald D			• • * • •		
Boardman, Richard de B					*
(Boston) Ace of Clubs			*		
Boston, Gardeners' and					
Florists' Club of					
Boston Public Library	-				
Bourne, Orrin C					
Boyden, Frank L.				*	
Bradley, Ralph					
Bradley, Robert S.					
Brayton, Miss Margaret L	- 1			*	
Bremer, John Lewis					
Brewer, Mrs. Charles		1		*	
Brockton Grade Teachers' Club				*	
Brookline Public Library				*	
Brooks, Miss Jenny			*		
Brooks, Mrs. Shepherd			*		
Brown, Luman S				*	
Bundy, Harvey H					*
Burkard, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph F	1	- 1	1		
Burnham, Miss Helen C	1				
Burrage, Mrs. Albert C				1	*
Byng, Miss Evelyn				*	
Cabot, Mrs. George E		- 1			*
Cabot, Mrs. Henry B., Jr			*		
Callan, Mrs. Mary Hemenway					
Campbell, Miss Elizabeth					
Cantabrigia Club					
Cantabrigia Ciub]				

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Name	Founder	Life Associate	Associate Member-1935	Contributor-1935	SPECIAL APPEAL For Misery Island
Canton Garden Club			*		
Case, Miss Marian Roby					
Case, Miss Mary S				*	
Chamberlain, Allen				*	
Channing, Walter				*	
Chapin, Horace D					
Chapman, W. B					
Chelmsford Garden Club					
Child, Josiah H				*	
Claffin, William H., Jr					
Cleaves, Charles H		1		*	
Coburn, William H					*
Cohasset Garden Club					
Comey, Arthur C					
Connolly, Eugene T			*		*
Connolly, Stephen J					*
Coolidge, Charles A					
Country Francis A	ŧ.	1			******
Countway, Francis A Crane, William M	1	1	I		
Crane, Z. Marshall	1			*	
Croll, Mrs. Albert Ivins.					*
Crosby, Mrs. S. V. R.	1	1			*******
Cummings, Charles K					
Cummings, Mrs. Charles K					
Curtis, Mrs. John S	Į.	1			*
Curtis, The Misses					
Curtis, Richard Cary					*
Curtiss, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic H			*		
Cushing, Miss Margaret W				*	
Cutler, Robert			*		*
Dabney, Miss O. Frederica					
Danielson, Mrs. Richard E		*			*
Daughters of the American					
Revolution, Mary Mattoon					
Chapter (Amherst)					
Davies, Thomas F			*		
de Gersdorff, Mrs. Carl A					
Denegre, Mrs. Walter D					*
Denio, Mrs. F. Winchester	[L	1	*	U

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Name	Founder	Life Associate	Associate Member-1935	Contributor-1935	Special Appeal For Misery Island	
Dennett, Carl P.			*			
Dewson, George B				*		
Dexter, Mrs. Franklin		1				
Dexter, Gordon		*			*	
Dexter, William					*	
Dibble, Mrs. Florence F			*			
Dodd, E. Merrick, Jr				*		
Donald, Mrs. Malcolm						
Dougherty, Harold T						
Duxbury Garden Club				*		
Easton, Garden Club of						
Eaton, Mrs. Henry C		1		1		
Eaton, Miss Mabel F				*		
Eliot, Samuel A	1			*		
Emerson, William		- 1				
Endicott, Eugene	1	1			*	
Endicott, Henry			*			
Endicott, Mr. and Mrs. H.						
Wendell	1	- 6				
Ernst, Roger						
Esselen, Gustavus J						
Essex County Agricultural School	- 1					
Fall River Garden Club				*		
Fallon, John	- 1	1	1	• • • • •	• • • • • • • •	
Farley, John Wells		- 1				
Fearing, Mrs. George R		- 1	- 1			
Ferry, Miss M. Agnes			ì			
Fessenden, S. H.		1	• • • • •	• • • • •	*	
Field and Forest Club			*			
Fish, Miss Margaret A						
Forbes, Dr. and Mrs. Alexander			*			
Forbes, Edward W						
1			- 1			
Forbes, William Stuart	- 1		*			
Ford, Miss Harriet J.		- 1	- 1	*		
Frick, Miss Helen C.		1		*		
Frost, Donald McKay.			1		* * * * * *	
Frothingham, Francis E						
Frothingham, Mrs. Louis A						
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Name	Founder	Life Associate	Associate Member-1935	Contributor-1935	SPECIAL APPEAL For Misery Island
Frothingham, Randolph			*		
Gage, Mrs. Homer					
Goldthwaite, Joel E			*		
Goodhue, L. Cushing			*		
Goss, Jesse B			*		
Gray, Roland			*		
Great Barrington Garden Club			*		
Greater Boston, Garden Lovers					
Club of				*	
Greeley, William Roger			*		
Greenough, Mr. and Mrs.					
Chester N					
Greenough, Mrs. Henry V			*		
Greenough, Malcolm W					*
Grew, Mrs. Edward W			*		
Hall, John L			*		*
Hanover Garden Club				*	
Harrison, Miss Dorothea K					
Harrison, Mrs. W. Henry					
Hartt, Mrs. Arthur W					
Harwood, Mrs. Sydney					
Haven Land Trust, Trustees of		*			*
(Haverhill) Women's City Club,					
Garden Department of				*	
Hayes, Hammond V					
Henderson, Alexander					
Herrick, Robert F				*	
Hersey, Miss Ada H		*			*
Hersey, Miss Clara					
Higginson, Charles				*	
Hingham Catholic Women's Club					
Hodges, Charles E., Jr					
Hoffman, Bernard			*		*
Holden Garden Club					
Holsted, Mrs. Grace					
Hooper, Mrs. James R					
Hopkins, Mrs. A. Lawrence			*		
Horton, Mrs. Etta A				*	
Houghton, Clement S			*	1	

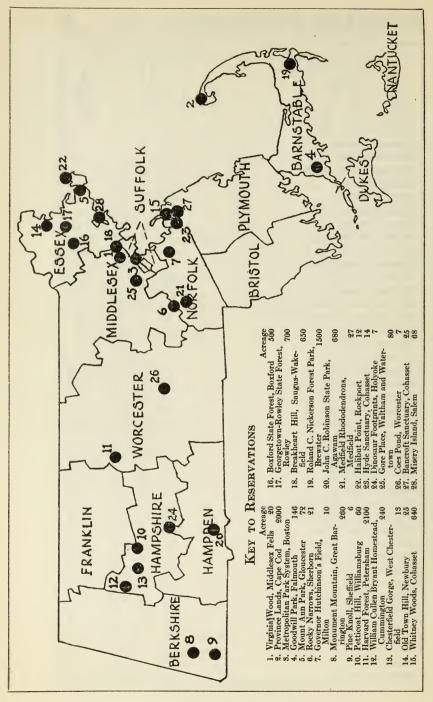
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Name	Founder	Life Associate	Associate Member-1935	Contributor-1935	SPECIAL APPEAL For Misery Island	
Howard, John K.			*			
Howe, James C						
Howe, Oliver H	1			*		
Howes, Ernest			*			
Hubbard, Eliot, Jr			*			
Hubbard, Henry V			*			
Humphrey, Mrs. Richard S		*			*	
Hunnewell, Francis Welles			*			
Hutchinson, Sydney E	- 1				*	
Hyannis Garden Club				*		
Jackson, Miss Esther						
Jackson, Mrs. Robert T				*		
James, Philip L						
Johnson, Roger						
Keller, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tilden	- 1					
Kelly, Mrs. Shaun			1	*		
Kelsey, Harlan P		- 1	1	*		
Kendall, Henry P			• • *			
Kenly, Mrs. William K			* * * • •		******	
Kent, Mrs. Edward L	1		*		*	
King, Mrs. Henry P					******	
Kinsman, Mrs. W. A	1			ŀ		
Knowles, Robert W		- 1			******	
Knowlton, Clarence H		1	1			
Koch, Miss Kate Ries						
Kyle, Miss Margaret						
Lane, David W				• • *		
Lane, Mrs. Gardiner M					******	
Lang, Mrs. Horace B			- 1	*		
Lawrence Garden Club	- 1	1				
Leiter, Mrs. Joseph	1				******	
Leland, Mrs. Lester	- 3				******	
Lewis, George, Jr.	1	1				
Lexington Field and Garden Club			1			
Lincoln, Alexander			1			
Loring, Miss Katherine P.			- 1	* * *		
Lowell, A. Lawrence	1					
Lowell, Miss Lucy						
Lyman, Mrs. Arthur						
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Name	Founder	Life Associate	Associate Member-1935	Contributor-1935	SPECIAL APPEAL For Misery Island	
Lyman, Theodore			*			
Macomber, John R						
Mann, Mrs. Horace				*		
Manning, Warren H						
(Marblehead Neck) Club of						
Small Gardens						
Marlowe, George F				*		
Maryland, University of						
Mason, Miss Fanny P		*	• • • • •		******	
Massachusetts Nurserymen's						
Association						
McElwain, J. Franklin				*		
McGinley, Mrs. J. A.			1			
Merrill, Mrs. Katherine Ayer						
Metcalf, Mrs. Thomas N						
Meyer, Miss Heloise					*******	
Miller, Kelton B						
Milliken, Arthur N						
Minot, William	1			*		
Monks, Dr. and Mrs. John P				*		
Moore, Mrs. William H					*	
Morgan, Paul B						
Morse, Miss Jessie Gwendolen						
Morse, John T., Jr						
Morss, Noel					1	
Motley, Mrs. E. P.					*	
Nash, Frederick H			* *			
National Civic Federation,						
Brockton Branch						
New Bedford, Garden Club				* *		
of Greater						
(Newton) Eight o'Clock Club				*		
Newtonville Garden Club			*			
Nichols, Philip.						
Nickerson, Mrs. Roland C						
Nightingale, John T				*		
Nightingale, Mrs. John T				*		
Noanett Garden Club	1	*				

North Shore Garden Club Noyes, James A. Nutter, George R. Nutter, George R. Nutter, George R. Nollingted, Frederick Law.	
Noyes, James A	
Noyes, James A	
Olmsted, Frederick Law	
Osborne, Maurice M	
Osgood, Mr. and Mrs. Dana	
Packard, Winthrop	
Paine, John B.	*
Paine, R. T., 2nd.	*
Palmer, Bradley W	
Parker, William A.	
Parsons, Miss Mary	
Peabody, Miss Amelia	
Peabody, Dean, Jr	
Peabody, W. Rodman	
Peirce, Veasey F	
Perry, Mrs. Ernestine C	
Phillips, John C	
Pickman, Dudley L	
Pickman, Dudley L., Jr.	*
Pierce, Charles Sumner * Pope, Frank J	
Prall, Mrs. William.	
Rackemann, Francis M	
Rantoul, Neal.	*
Rantoul, Neal, Trustee	*
Reynolds, Harrison G	*
Richmond, Harry S	
Riley, Miss Mabel Louise	
Robinson, A. D	
Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. John C	
Roe, George D	
Roland, Robert H	
Rose, Miss Marjorie* Russell, James Savage*	
Rust, Fred W.	
Saltonstall, Richard	
Saunders, Maynard O	
Sawyer, Miss Anna Weld	

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Schrafft, W. E					
Sears, Miss E. Randolph					*
Sears, Miss Evelyn G			*		
Sears, Mrs. J. Montgomery					
Sears, Richard D					*
Sharples, Philip P			*		
Shattuck, Dr. and Mrs. George C			*		
Shaw, Quincy A		*			*
Shurcliff, Arthur A					
Smith, Miss Alice Orme				*	
Smith, Mrs. Frank C., Jr					
Sohier, William D					
Sohier, William D., Jr		*	• • • • •		*
(South Boston)Mattapannock					
Woman's Club					
Spalding, Philip L					
Spaulding, John T					*
Sperry, William H					
Sprague, Mrs. Isaac					
Stackpole, Pierpont L					******
Stearns, Charles H.	- 1		1		
Stevens, Mrs. Robert S.		1		* *	
Stockton, Philip	1				****
Stokes, Anson Phelps.					
Stone, Robert G				• • •	
Storrow, Mrs. Edward C					
Taunton Garden Club					
Taylor, Frank					
Thayer, Mrs. Edward D					
Thayer, James B		T I			
Thomas, Mrs. W. B					
Thompson, Francis Nims				*	
Towne, Frank B			*		
Tucker, Mrs. Carll			*		
Tuckerman, Bayard, Jr				*	
Tufts College Woman's Club					
Underwood, Mrs. William Lyman					
Van Norden, Mrs. Grace C					
Vaughan, Miss Bertha H				*	

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Vaughan, Samuel			*		*
Wadsworth, Eliot) (
Wakefield, Mrs. George				*	
Wakefield, L. H				*	
Walcott, Robert			*		
Ward, Mrs. Charles W				*	
Warren, Bayard		*			*
Warren, George Copp				*	
Warren, Mrs. George E					
Wayland Garden Club				*	
Webster, K. G. T			*		
Wellman, Sargent W					
West Boylston, Woman's Club of				*	
West Newton, Women's Guild of					
Second Church of		-	• • • • •	*	
Wharton, William P					
Wheatland, Richard		1	- 1	*	
Wheeler, Alexander					*
Wheeler, Mrs. Henry	1	1			
Wheeler, Robert K	1	- 1		*	
Wheelwright, George W					
Whitehouse, Francis M					******
Whiteside, Alexander					******
Whiting, Arthur St. J	• • • • •	• • • • •		*	
Whitney, Mr. and Mrs.					
Theodore T., Jr.					
Wiggins, Lewis N					
Wigglesworth, Mrs. George	1	1	1		
Williams Mrs Arthur		1		*	
Williams, Mrs. Arthur			1		
Williams, Mrs. Ralph B.	1	1		* *	
Wilson, Mrs. H. F.		- 1			
Winthrop, Mrs. Frederic.		1	1	*	
Winthrop, Garden Club of		1			******
Wolcott, William Prescott					
Wood, Mrs. William M					
Worcester County Horticultural					
Society			*		
York, Samuel A.	- 1				
Young, B. Loring				*	
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PROPERTIES SECURED IN FULL OR IN PART THROUGH THE ACTIVITIES OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC RESERVATIONS—1891-1935



THE MANSION



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Across the Pond

GORE PLACE, WALTHAM AND WATERTOWN







AN UNSPOILED COASTAL AREA PRESERVED THROUGH ACTION OF THE TRUSTEES (SEE PAGE 33) DUNES TYPICAL OF THE PROVINCE LANDS, CAPE COD

PROPERTIES SECURED BY THE TRUSTEES

The date of acquisition follows the name of the property

BANCROFT SANCTUARY (1935). A wooded tract of 25 acres in Cohasset, threaded with foot trails and possessing a brook of unusual attractiveness, with a six-acre pond named to perpetuate the memory of the late Dallas Lore Sharp. Originally a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bancroft to the Federation of the Bird Clubs of New England, but subsequently transferred by gift from the Federation to The Trustees.

Adjoining Whitney Woods and administered as part of that

property. Entered from King Street.

BOXFORD STATE FOREST (1933). Five hundred acres of diversified woodland in Boxford, adjoining the Boxford Wild Life Sanctuary. Secured as a State Forest through the assistance of The Trustees.

BREAKHEART HILL (1934). On the border between Saugus and Wakefield, 650 acres containing two lakes with tree-clad shores, set in the midst of a beautiful woodland. Realizing that so choice a spot on the outskirts of metropolitan Boston should be preserved, but deeming the purchase price—\$40,000—too great to attempt to raise themselves, The Trustes after two years of persevering work were successful in their efforts to have the General Court purchase the property. Breakheart Hill has now been entrusted to the care of the Metropolitan District Commission.

Approached from U.S. Route 1 in Saugus.

CHESTERFIELD GORGE (1929). About 13 acres on the east bank of the Westfield River at West Chesterfield. This passage of the stream through narrow rocky walls luxuriantly clothed with hemlock constitutes one of the outstanding scenic features of the Commonwealth. The stone bridge-pier at the northern end of the gorge is of historic interest, representing an important link in the old stage route from Boston to Albany.

Purchased by The Trustees for \$1500, with the aid of generous subscriptions to the sum of \$860. Best view from the adjoining property of the warden, Frank W. Thayer, on the west bank. Approached by surfaced road from West

Chesterfield.

COES POND (1935). Seven acres of sloping grassland on the eastern shore of Coes Pond in Worcester, preserved as the result of investigation and recommendations made by The Trustees. The area, to be known as "Columbus Park," was purchased by the Columbus Park Neighborhood Club as a means of preserving

the amenities of an adjoining residential section, and was presented to the local municipal Park Department to be held as a public open space free from structures.

DINOSAUR FOOTPRINTS (1935). On the west bank of the Connecticut River north of Holyoke, seven acres of red sandstone ledge, tree-covered in part, containing footprints attributed to the Dinosaur. Dating from perhaps 150 million years ago, these imprints, clearly defined in the rock formation, are of unparalleled historic significance in Massachusetts.

Temporarily secured through generous gifts to The Trustees, but full preservation dependent upon the success of an appeal

about to be issued by a Local Committee.

A 500-year restrictive clause made with the owner prohibits certain uses of the property and of land adjoining it.

Accessible from Route 5, one mile north of Holyoke.

GEORGETOWN-ROWLEY STATE FOREST (1933). Seven hundred acres of diversified woodland in Rowley. Available through the generosity of George F. Carleton, Esq., the property was acquired by agreement at a price far below its market value. Secured as a State Forest through the assistance of The Trustees.

GOODWILL PARK (1894). A property conveyed to the Board in trust for the use of the Town of Falmouth as a perpetual park and picnic ground. The gift of the late Joseph Story Fay, Esq., as an expression of the donor's good will toward the townspeople near his summer home, these 71 acres were described as "divided into woodland, pasture and arable land" and as "fairly well fenced, bordering on two ponds, picturesque, and adapted to much ornamental development in proper hands." This area was increased by an additional 10 acres in 1908, given by Miss Sarah B. Fay and the late Henry H. Fay, Esq.; was supplemented the following year by a further gift of 18 acres from Mr. Fay; and was increased again in 1913 by a gift of 50 acres from Miss Fay and one acre of pond shore frontage from the heirs of the Oliver C. Swift estate. At various times Mr. Fay gave sums for the care of the reservation, and for many years the Town of Falmouth has made an annual appropriation for maintenance.

The park can be entered by motor, and lies one and one-half miles north of Falmouth on Route 28.

GORE PLACE (1935). Long known to The Trustees, Gore Place was described by Charles Eliot who wrote of it in 1888: "This strikingly peaceful and lovely scene, so religiously preserved by

its present owner that he can say that only the gales have harmed it . . . , impresses the most casual passerby. Here are only common trees, grass, and water, smooth ground, and a plain building. . . . This is real landscape architecture of the purest type."

The Mansion, built in 1804, is of brick. It comprises a central structure with flanking wings, and is imposing in its simplicity and proportion. With its history and in its setting it is probably the outstanding residence of the Early Republic in the Northern

States.

Endangered in 1935 through threatened sale, the property was purchased for \$75,000, of which the necessary cash payment was met through private appeal made by The Trustees, the Massachusetts Society of the Colonial Dames of America, and the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities, and also through public and private individual subscription. Title to the property, subject to a \$60,000 mortgage, is held by the Gore Place Society.

Entered from Route 20, at the Watertown-Waltham city line. Open to visitors at all reasonable hours. Small admission

fee to Mansion.

GOVERNOR HUTCHINSON'S FIELD (1898). A field of ten acres beside the road at its highest point on Milton Hill, preserving a picturesque and historic view. Thomas Hutchinson, Colonial Governor at the time of the Boston Tea Party, wrote: "My house is seven or eight miles from town, a pleasant situation; and many gentlemen from abroad say it has the finest prospect from it they ever saw, except where great improvements have been made by art to help the natural view."

The field is now the only open space on the hill which looks down to the Neponset meadows through which the river winds on its way to the sea in the distance. At the left Metropolitan Boston closes the view; at the right the Blue Hills will continue to remain as forest reservation; the beauty of the meadows below is assured for all time through their preservation as part

of the Metropolitan Park System.

Gift of about three-fourths of the property by the late John M. Forbes, Esq., and his sister the late Mrs. Mary F. Cunningham. The remaining portions were secured by subscriptions from citizens of Milton and others.

HALIBUT POINT (1934). Twelve acres of a jutting peninsula comprising the most northerly point on Cape Ann. Purchased for \$1500 by generous gift of Dr. John C. Phillips and the Village Improvement Society of Pigeon Cove, this gift has secured to picnickers forever the freedom of a rocky shore and windswept headland.

HARVARD FOREST (1907). Two thousand one hundred acres of varied woodland in the town of Petersham, constituting a laboratory and demonstration area for the Division of Forestry in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at Harvard University. Well timbered in almost all parts, the property contains a greater variety of the different stages of forest represented in New England history than can be found on an equal area anywhere else in the region. Besides authentic fragments of the original primeval forest, it has phases of second growth and tree species representative of both the northern and central forests. Within the Petersham property is a thousand-acre bird refuge of unusual interest and value, which is jointly maintained by the University and the Commonwealth.

At the instance of the late Mr. James W. Brooks, owner of 1800 acres of forest land surrounding the town, a committee of The Trustees visited Petersham in June, 1906, to consider what steps might be taken to ensure the preservation of at least some part of these beautiful woods. Out of these investigations a plan developed which assured their preservation for

public enjoyment for all time.

Available through the generosity of Mr. Brooks, who offered his property to Harvard University at a price substantially below its estimated sale value, it was purchased for \$55,000 and given to the University through the generous assistance of John S. Ames, Esq. Contiguous lots and holdings amounting to between 200 and 300 additional acres were donated by Mr. Brooks, Mr. J. J. Higginson, Mr. Edwin C. Dexter, Mr. Joseph C. Smith, Mr. Henry S. Bennett, Mr. Charles S. Waldo, and Mr. William Simes.

Accessible by surfaced highways, open to motors, and by

foot-trails.

HYDE SANCTUARY (1934). Adjoining the west border of Whitney Woods, 14 acres of woodland containing many noble hemlock and pine, some measuring twelve feet at the base and of an age estimated at from 100 to 150 years. Gift of the Federation of the Bird Clubs of New England with the acquiescence of its original donors, the family of the late Benjamin Hyde.

Entered from Doane Street in Cohasset.

JOHN C. ROBINSON STATE PARK (1934.) A tract of 680 acres embracing some four miles of river scenery along the Agawam River in Agawam, West Springfield, and Westfield. This munificent gift, offered to The Trustees by John C. Robinson, Esq., was the culmination of a life-long interest in preserving the stream banks of the southern Connecticut Valley. Since the magnitude of the property placed it beyond The Trustees'

powers of acceptance, the offer was brought to the attention of the State Department of Conservation, and was accepted by the Commissioner with the approval of the Governor and Council.

MEDFIELD RHODODENDRONS (1934). In Medfield, within 19 miles of the State House, a tract of the native rosebay rhododendron (R. maximum), with an encircling growth of forest trees. The property of 27 acres, containing 10 acres of massive rhododendron plants covering many hundred square feet and from ten to fifteen feet in height, was purchased for \$1400 found through local subscription.

One mile south of Medfield village, approached from Spring

Street.

METROPOLITAN PARK SYSTEM (1893). In the first year of its existence The Trustees called together the numerous park commissioners and park committees of the metropolitan district surrounding Boston, "in the hope that mutual acquaintance might encourage coöperative action in the taking of land for

public open spaces."

This meeting took place on December 16, 1891, in the office of the Boston Park Commission, one of whose members, General Francis A. Walker, presided. A majority of the towns and cities within eleven miles of Boston were represented by their park commissioners or other officers; and so general was the desire for immediate, effective, and comprehensive action towards the preservation of ample public open spaces that a committee was appointed to draft a memorial to the legislature, asking for prompt action in this direction.

As the result of this initial conference and of subsequent activity on the part of the Board, the General Court of 1893 passed an Act creating a permanent Metropolitan Park Commission equipped with the power of eminent domain and with

one million dollars to spend in buying lands.

Within the metropolitan district the Metropolitan Park Commission was appointed to exercise the functions which The Trustees of Public Reservations were first designated to exercise throughout the Commonwealth. It will always be a mark of distinction to The Trustees that this body had so important a part in the inception of this undertaking.*

^{*}The creation of [this] Board of Trustees [The Trustees of Public Reservations]... had its origin, no doubt, in a broad sense, in a need which was generally recognized as soon as it was brought to public attention. It was due, however, to the late Charles Eliot that this idea was given form, and it was he who worked out the details of the plan which resulted in the creation of this Board. Charles Eliot's great work and his lasting monument, as is well known, is the Metropolitan Park System of Boston; but it is not so well known that the creation of this Board [The Trustees] was an important step in the movement which resulted in that greater achievement.—From the Annual Report of The Trustees for 1900.

MISERY ISLAND (1935). A conspicuous island of 80 acres at the entrance to Salem Harbor, with a history dating back to 1631 when the Court of Assistants of Salem took possession of it for the common interests of the town. At one time inhabited by Indians, it had become cultivated farmland by 1776 when the buildings were destroyed for use as fuel aboard British cruisers.

In 1900 the property was bought and used for public recreation and entertainment by a syndicate who operated pleasure-launches from West Beach, Manchester. At the threat of renewed development of four fifths of the island by commercial interests in 1935, a group of local residents acting as the North Shore Associates secured an option on the property and issued a private appeal to residents of Manchester, West Manchester, Beverly Farms, and Prides Crossing. The 68 acres were presented to The Trustees with the promise of an endowment, and are held as a public reservation to be administered under certain restrictions of management and use.

MONUMENT MOUNTAIN RESERVATION (1899). One of the most beautiful of the Berkshire Hills. Situated in the valley of the Housatonic between Great Barrington and Stockbridge, it is a prominent and picturesque feature of the landscape. The east and west sides rise abruptly to the summit, 1710 feet above sea level, and the view from the crest of these steep ledges is well worth the gradual climb over an old woods road from the south.

Presented by the late Miss Helen C. Butler in fulfillment of the wish of the late Rosalie Butler, that it might be preserved forever for the enjoyment of the public. Miss Butler's original gift was accompanied by the sum of \$2000 for the maintenance of the reservation. This fund was increased in 1906 by an additional gift of \$5000 from the same donor.

Four miles north of Great Barrington and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from

Stockbridge. Not open to motors, but ample parking space at base. Warden present on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays from

May 1 to October 1.

MOUNT ANN PARK (1897). A small pine-clad mountain, of solid granite, one of the highest points (about 225 feet above sea level) on the North Shore, commanding an ocean view northeasterly to Mount Agamenticus near York, Maine, and south to Boston Harbor and the Blue Hills of Milton. The inland panorama covers diversified forest and wooded hill with Wachusett and Monadnock in the far distance.

Fifty acres presented by the sons of the late William Minot, Esq.,—Mr. William Minot, Mr. Charles Sedgwick Minot, Mr. Robert Sedgwick Minot, and Mr. Laurence Minot,—in

fulfillment of their father's long-cherished wish and purpose to dedicate some spot of exceptional natural beauty to the memory of his son, Henry Davis Minot. A fund of \$1000 was subscribed by personal friends and members of the family as a maintenance fund.

About three-quarters of a mile westerly from the village of West Gloucester. Trail leads from the highway at one side through the park to the road at the foot of the opposite slope.

OLD TOWN HILL (1929). A bare drumlin in Newbury Old Town overtopping the low shore land of Essex County and commanding a sweeping view of Plum Island Sound and the open ocean. An area of twenty-five acres on the eastern half of the hill acquired from the owner, the late Stephen P. Hale, Esq. Although private offers as high as \$15,000 had been refused because Mr. Hale wished the hill to remain forever open to the public enjoyment, the property was secured by agreement at a purchase price of \$5000. This sum was found through the generosity of Mrs. Florence Dibble, an adjoining landowner, who took title to the property subject to certain restrictions: namely, that it be known as "Hale's Old Town Hill Public Park," that it be not built upon, and that it remain forever open to the public enjoyment.

PETTICOAT HILL (1906). Fifty acres of hilltop and wooded slopes in Williamsburg on the Berkshire Trail. The beautiful view from the upper portions and the summit includes Mount Tom and the Holyoke Range, and, farther north, the valley of the Connecticut with Amherst and the hills beyond. Ten additional acres adjoining the summit, purchased in 1923, contain two ledges commanding an unobstructed southerly view.

Presented by the late Mrs. Edward W. Nash in memory of her husband whose childhood days were passed within sight of this attractive spot.

Approached by short walk from the village center. About seven miles northwest of Northampton.

PINE KNOLL (1902). A grassy terrace of six acres and adjoining slopes, fringed with pines and jutting out into the Housatonic meadows on the east of Sheffield. The Knoll offers views of the valley below and of the Taconics to the west. A school fronts upon the property, and the Knoll has long been used especially by children. With proper legislative authority and with the permission of the donors, the reservation was transferred to the Town of Sheffield in 1933.

PROVINCE LANDS (1893). A region of sand dunes and beaches on the tip of Cape Cod, originally built by wave and wind action and gradually covered by vegetation over the course of years.

Many hollows among the sand hills contain fresh-water ponds, surrounded by a growth of tupelo, sweet azalea, clethra, and the like. In the shelter of the ridges and even on the crests grow oak, maple, beech, and pitch pine. Although the layer of surface soil upon the hills is nowhere more than a few inches, the underlying soil retains moisture and therefore supports a more verdurous

landscape than elsewhere on the outer Cape.

Acquired in 1692 by the Province of Massachusetts Bay, together with all other property of the Plymouth Colony, the Province Lands in 1727 were legally constituted a township with the name of Provincetown, although the Province and later the Commonwealth retained ownership of the land. By 1891 the few squatters who had occupied small parcels of the Province Lands in 1727 had become a town of 5000 inhabitants. With so large a population seated on these open and unprotected lands, there was much unlawful appropriation of firewood and sod which had the ill effect of exposing the sand surface of the dunes to the action of wind and storm. Half the Province Lands by 1891 had become a treeless waste due to this stripping of vegetation from the seaward sand hills, and even the harbor itself was endangered by the drifting sand.

As the result of an investigation made by The Trustees of Public Reservations in 1892 and in accordance with a report submitted to the legislature, the General Court accepted the recommendations made in the report and enacted a bill which gave to the townspeople of Provincetown all the occupied parts of the lands in question, and set aside the remaining portion (2000 acres) as a permanent reservation in the charge of the

State Commissioners of Harbors and Lands.

The Province Lands, therefore, were preserved as a public open space for all time through the recommendations made by this Board. They are accessible from a surfaced roadway recently constructed through the inner section of this territory.

ROCKY NARROWS (1897). A unique feature in the scenery of the Charles River where its narrow stream flows through a picturesque gorge. The 21 acres include a high hemlock knoll forming one side of the "Gate of the Charles"; a low piece of enclosed meadow land, known locally as the "Dingle Hole," which surrounds the knoll on three sides, and in periods of high water isolates it from the enframing ridge of woodland; and a pineclad stretch of camp ground farther down the stream.

Although on the principal river of eastern Massachusetts and only eight miles from the city limits of Boston, the reservation is still comparatively unknown, since it is difficult of access by land. The approach by water from South Natick is ideal, requiring a two-hour paddle between wooded banks and occa-

sional clearings reminiscent of the beauty and wildness of streams in northern Maine.

The property was presented by the late Augustus Hemenway, Esq.

ROLAND C. NICKERSON FOREST PARK (1934). On Cape Cod, 1500 acres of oak and pine woodland in Brewster, the generous gift of Mrs. Roland C. Nickerson and her daughter, Mrs. Samuel P. Sears, in memory of the late Roland Crosby Nickerson and Roland Crosby Nickerson, Jr. The property contains four Great Ponds with no apparent inlet or outlet. Arrangements for this gift to the Commonwealth were effected through the office of The Trustees. The park will be administered by the State Department of Conservation.

Directly south of the main Cape road at East Brewster

station.

VIRGINIA WOOD (1892). A notable tract of hemlock and pine woodland in Stoneham, of particular beauty when the flowering dogwood is in bloom. Spot Pond Brook and the falls at the old mill dam are among the most picturesque features in the Middlesex Fells.

The first property of The Trustees, these 20 acres were the gift of the late Mrs. Fanny Foster Tudor and were named in memory of her daughter. The amount of \$2000 in small sums was raised locally by public subscription as a maintenance fund. Although included within the area purchased for the Middlesex Fells Reservation and under the care of the Metropolitan District Commission since 1895, its ownership was not legally transferred to the Commission until 1923. The memorial character of the area is preserved by careful marking of bounds and by the erection of a bronze tablet citing the gift.

The property lies between three highways—Ravine Road,

Woodland Road, and Pond Street-in Stoneham.

WHITNEY WOODS (1933). In Cohasset and Hingham, 640 acres of beautiful woodland, including Turkey Hill, one of the highest drumlins in Norfolk or Plymouth counties, which affords a sweeping view of land and ocean. Brass Kettle Brook runs through the property.

Presented by the Whitney Woods Association with an endowment of \$10,000. Accessible from Route 3A, and by eleven miles of roadway, entered at four points. Closed to motors.

WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT HOMESTEAD (1928). Home of the Poet in boyhood and early manhood and again in later years. The Homestead with 240 acres of farmland and diversified woodland was bequeathed to The Trustees as a permanent

memorial by the late Mrs. Minna Godwin Goddard, grand-daughter of the Poet, together with a legacy of \$10,000. The following year a further gift comprising certain furniture, furnishings, and other memorabilia was received from Conrad G. Goddard, Esq., and also certain additional articles of associational interest from Harold Godwin, Esq. In 1930 the sum of \$10,000 was bequeathed by the late Miss Julia Sands Bryant as an addition to the fund for maintenance of the property. In accordance with an agreement the Homestead may be occupied by the family of the donors, but the land and grounds must be kept substantially in the same condition as at the time of the gift.

Approach marked by signs at two points on the Berkshire Trail between villages of Cummington and West Cummington.

REPORT ON MANAGEMENT OF RESERVATIONS

Most of the properties held by The Trustees have been visited several times during the year by your Executive Secretary and members of the Standing Committee. The various reservations are in better condition than at any time since their acquisition, chiefly as the result of labor supplied through CCC and ERA sources. Each of the Local Committees of Management has reported an increased attendance during the last year.

Large legible swinging signs, hung from attractive metal brackets, now mark most of the reservations. These signs have materially increased attendance. Attractive open fireplaces (built from specifications used by the State Department of Conservation) and luncheon tables have provided additional attractions for picnickers.

Numerous changes have been made in a number of the reservations. In each one the Committee has been careful to see that the guiding purpose of the work is preservation of the character of the property and not any development of a state park-like nature. The Committee recognizes no responsibility to make The Trustees' properties available to the public by the construction of footpaths or the addition of fireplaces and other park furniture if such "improvements" are likely to alter the natural character of the area.

Through generous contributions by individual Trustees, trees have been planted in certain reservations, a necessary corduroy road has been built in another, direction signs have been placed, and cuttings have been discreetly made to open up extensive views. Unfortunately this work has been strictly limited by the inadequacy of funds available for the purpose.

It is hoped that during the coming year more Trustees may find time to join some of the scheduled field trips in order to inspect at first hand the improved condition of the reservations visited.

In submitting this report, the Committee on Reservations wishes to express its appreciation of the keen interest shown by the several Local Committees of Management, and particularly of the untiring efforts of Dr. Howe on behalf of his Local Committee for Whitney Woods.

WILLIAM ELLERY, Chairman, Committee on Reservations.

GOODWILL PARK

LOCAL COMMITTEE

WILFRED WHEELER, Chairman

H. V. LAWRENCE WILLIAM E. LAWRENCE JAMES NICHOLS B. B. BRISTOL

The past year has brought an increased use of Goodwill Park, not alone by tourists but by local organizations and the people of Falmouth.

The local Warden, William E. Lawrence, has done much work on roads,—widening, filling holes, and removing stones. The town highway department scraped the roads in the early spring, and they were in good condition throughout the year in

spite of great use.

Your Committee planted twenty-five white flowering dogwood (Cornus florida) in the spring, all of which have lived and become well established. These trees, planted in groups of five, will ultimately add to the beauty of the park. Most of the young evergreens planted by the Town Forest Committee have now become well established; the older plantings are making rapid growth, especially the Norway spruce near the Gifford Street entrance, many of which are from six to seven feet high. Recently welfare labor, used in clearing up about the spruce, has improved the area very much. An expenditure of \$100 was made on this work.

Your Local Committee recommends that a good deal of tree work be done in the next few years, and that a definite plan be laid out for this work. On the west side of the park many fine oaks and hickories contain dead wood and also some holes. Other oaks and some beeches also need attention. If the older trees are cleaned up this year, the younger ones can be treated later, and so year by year until the whole park is completed.

It is also recommended that a small amount of planting be done each year to include, in addition to the evergreens, such native shrubs and trees as flowering dogwood, shadblow, summersweet, and in some places holly where it can be protected

by a fence.

The reservation badly needs camp fireplaces for use by boy and girl scouts and others who picnic in the park. The addition of a woodshed would be of value, and a faucet near the tables

would keep people from taking water from the pond.

Some of the Norway spruce and white pine among the large cedars should be taken up and planted near the western entrance this coming spring. Thinning of some of the older plantings of evergreens can be done to advantage.

In connection with its normal work the Town Forest Committee has helped to maintain the two sections of the property

which border on Long Pond with a view to planting in the spring. A road has been built on this western side of the pond which is to connect with the main road system. The Town has acquired most of the land on the watershed of the Pond, and The Trustees' property supplements these holdings.

WILFRED WHEELER, Chairman.

HALIBUT POINT

LOCAL COMMITTEE

Allen Chamberlain (Chairman)
CHARLES H. CLEAVES ALDRO T. HIBBARD

The Halibut Point reservation, twelve acres at the northern extremity of Cape Ann, has been much used by picnickers during the past summer, and many expressions of appreciation of its attractiveness, and of the fact that this shore has been made available for public use, have come to the ears of the Local Committee.

Through the coöperation of Mr. Fred M. Full, ERA Administrator for Rockport, the footpaths leading to the shore from the entrance lane and across the area have this year been cleared of encroaching brush and briers to a width of eight feet, the numerous gullies have been filled with stone, and the tread surfaced with gravel. These paths have a total length of half a mile or a little more.

Gott Lane, the road leading to the reservation entrance from Granite Street, the main highway around the Cape, has been regarded by the Town Authorities as a private way, and has therefore received no attention by the Highway Surveyor. An examination of the records of the Town of Gloucester, of which Rockport was formerly a part, discloses the fact that the lane was laid out as a public highway to the dwelling of Samuel Gott in 1707. No record of its subsequent discontinuance has been discovered. The Local Committee has therefore requested the Selectmen to recognize the public character of this road and to put it in a reasonable state of repair as soon as may be possible.

In an effort to discourage adventurous motorists from attempting to drive cars down the main path to the shore, a barrier of large stones has been laid across the entrance lane near its northerly end. The Town Forest Warden has lately asked the Local Committee if it will not be possible to remove the stones and to substitute a padlocked chain, one of the padlock keys to be kept by the Warden. In the event that a fire should be started in the bush-grown area of the reservation it would be unfortunate if the Warden could not take his equipment inside the reservation boundaries. It is hoped that some such arrangement may be made before next spring.

A standard sign board and iron suspension bracket have recently been furnished by the Standing Committee, and this is to be erected on the service pole at the junction of Granite Street and Gott Lane. The Gloucester Electric Company and the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company have already given their consent.

ALLEN CHAMBERLAIN, Chairman.

MONUMENT MOUNTAIN

During February and March, 1935, men on the welfare list of the town of Stockbridge were put to work in this reservation. Under this project damaged and decayed timber was cleared away from three to seven acres, leaving sound and heavy trees. This clearing will help the growth of seedling white pine.

Several hundred people enjoyed the fireplaces and the two

tables recently installed for the convenience of visitors.

L. B. Fletcher, Executive Secretary.

MEDFIELD RHODODENDRONS

LOCAL COMMITTEE

JOHN S. AMES (Chairman)

Walter Channing
H. Wendell Endicott
Mrs. John Wells Farley

Walter Hunnewell
Mrs. Augustin H. Parker

MISS SYLVIA WARREN

The Medfield Rhododendrons comprise about thirty-four acres, of which about ten acres contain the rhododendron plants (R. maximum). The greater part of the reservation is swamp land with a scattered growth of red maple, alder, hemlock, and a few other species; white pine and oak are found on the drier situations. The rhododendrons grow both in the swamp and on the higher ground and grow luxuriantly where the condition of soil, shade, and moisture are congenial. The best growth is on "the island," so-called,—a knoll of an acre or so rising above the swamp.

The first work started by your Committee was to clear this knoll and its vicinity of dead trees, standing and fallen, of which there were a great number. Similar work was also done in the swamp to the north of the island where the ground was very wet; here the natural growth of red maples was very sickly and furnished very little shade or protection for the rhododendrons. In this part of the reservation the rhododendrons were the least thrifty, and due to the extreme frost and bright sun in March

suffered severely from sun scorch.

When the main clump on the island was entirely cleared of fallen and dead trees the Local Committee used the wood—

fifteen cords—to make a corduroy road extending around the east side to the northeast corner, thereby enabling visitors to get the best possible view of the main clump. In order to give the northeast corner some protection for the future, fifty red maples (Acer rubrum) and fifty white cedars (Chamaecyparis thyoides) were planted in this area.

The work of clearing the reservation, made possible through the generosity of Mrs. Louis A. Frothingham, has been considerable. Beginning in January a crew of five men were engaged, weather permitting, in cutting, clearing, and burning slash. A total of forty-six days' work was done at a cost of \$772.93.

The red maples and white cedars were donated by J. S. Ames.

JOHN S. AMES. Chairman.

MOUNT ANN PARK

LOCAL COMMITTEE

JOHN C. PHILLIPS (Chairman)

WILLIAM ELLERY LAURENCE B. FLETCHER

Mount Ann, in West Gloucester, can be reached either from the north side on Essex Avenue, or from the south on the back road called Forest Lane. A green sign on the north side of Essex Avenue indicates the place to turn off into Forest Lane. Two miles farther east on Forest Lane another sign indicates the southern entrance. Unfortunately the property does not run out all the way to Essex Avenue on the north side, hence there is no public entrance or parking space,—a great pity, since the northern approach is much more attractive than the southern.

The view from the top of Mount Ann has been partly cut off for some years by tree growth. The outlook toward Ipswich Beach, Plum Island, and the New Hampshire coast, has been blocked completely. The topping and cutting of a number of tall hemlocks and beeches during the year now enables the visitor to see this splendid panorama of beech, dune, salt marsh, and the great drumlin of Choate Island,—an unusual landscape view over wooded terrain to the east and northeast. The fine view of Gloucester and Rockport has also been opened up, while many dead trees that spoiled the view of Dyke Meadow Pond on the southeast have been removed.

A path has been cut through the little ravine which separates the main summit from the western summit, and here many unsightly dead trees which interfered with the western view have been taken out. The temporary structure erected by the State Department of Public Works at the main summit will be removed in due time. It is hoped that with protection the mountain-laurel which once abounded in the Cape Ann woods may eventually be restored.

JOHN C. PHILLIPS, Chairman.

PETTICOAT HILL

LOCAL COMMITTEE

AARON C. BAGG (Chairman)

Louis H. Cranson Mrs. Louis H. Cranson Mrs. C. N. Rhoades Miss Dorothea W. Ward

A name sign, painted on both sides and hung by a suitable metal bracket, has been erected on the main highway at the entrance to Petticoat Hill where it has attracted considerable attention and has brought many visitors. With the approval of the Committee on Reservations it was deemed advisable to remove about twenty small hemlock trees directly under the famous large red oak. This will help the view of the oak without sacrificing any valuable planting.

The paths are in fairly good condition, but it is impossible to keep them in better shape without continual care, owing to the

wash that comes from the rains on so steep a grade.

The Local Committee received a request from residents of Williamsburg that some strips of light timber on the reservation might be cut in order to give a straight-away for children's coasting. After careful examination this request was referred to the Committee on Reservations with the recommendation of the Local Committee, and was granted. The improvement has brought about an added source of public enjoyment of the Hill without any lessening of its natural beauty.

AARON C. BAGG, Chairman.

WHITNEY WOODS

LOCAL COMMITTEE

OLIVER H. HOWE (Chairman)

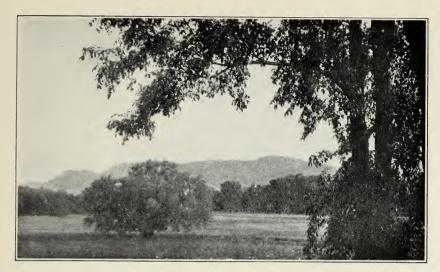
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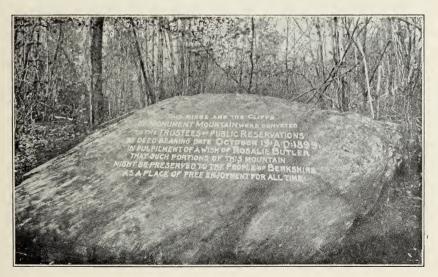
This property has enjoyed its most prosperous year. There were 4311 visitors to Whitney Woods during 1935; of these, 1539 were riders, and 990 were visitors using the fireplaces and lunch tables. This attendance is an increase of over one hundred

per cent from the previous year.

During the gunning season Warden Sylvester warned off 92 gunners, and over 50 persons who came for evergreens during the holiday season. The warden patrolled eleven miles of road three times a day during the gunning season, also twice a day during the Christmas season. Since a permanent warden has been established in Whitney Woods there has been a decided increase in wild life, especially partridges and quail.

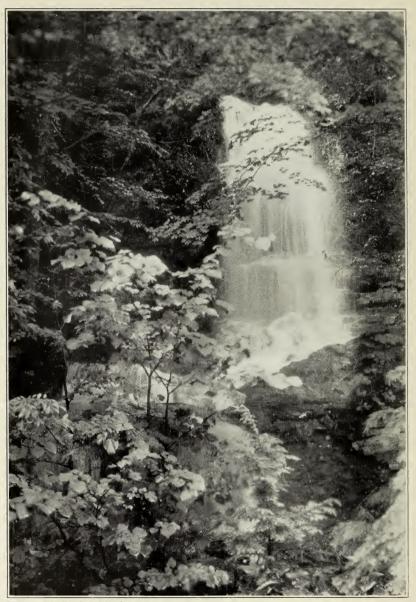


ACROSS THE HOUSATONIC VALLEY



THE MEMORIAL INSCRIPTION

MONUMENT MOUNTAIN, STOCKBRIDGE AND GREAT BARRINGTON



Photograph by Frank A. Waugh

MOSS CASCADE, SUNDERLAND

AN OUTSTANDING FEATURE OF THE TRUSTEES' FIELD TRIPS VISITED THROUGH COURTESY OF FRANK TAYLOR, ESQ.

The CCC boys from the camp at Milton, working from January to April, cut fire lines and burned slash. As a local ERA project, from fifteen to forty men were also employed in cutting fire lines and lanes and in burning trash; they also completed four water holes of which the project called for nine.

Seventy-five posters were distributed in public places in the towns of Hingham, Cohasset, Scituate, Greenbush, and Duxbury calling the public's attention to the attractive features of Whitney

Woods.

A foot trail, to be known as the Bancroft Main Trail, has been completed. Increased use of the bridle paths for horseback travel has made it desirable to have foot trails by which leisurely walkers and children can enjoy the forest with safety. The main trail is fully three miles long, extending from Sohier Street to the entrance near Turkey Hill, and is the first of a proposed system of intersecting trails. As has been contemplated for the entire system, it is entirely independent of bridle paths, crossing only four in its whole length. It reveals sections of the forest heretofore entirely unknown, including many picturesque beauty spots of which the chief is "Mossy Glen." The trail itself is marked by round spots of paint upon trees and rocks, and the tree species by more permanent markers. Although the work of clearing the trail was begun by CCC labor, the greater portion of it was completed by Boy Scouts and other willing helpers under the direction of the Local Committee.

OLIVER H. HOWE, Chairman.

ROCKY NARROWS

LOCAL COMMITTEE

George Lewis, Jr. (Chairman) Henry M. Channing

Fireplaces and tables installed during December, 1934, were a great success during the past year. No one made fires in any other place. The people using the grounds have kept them well.

A certain amount of tree thinning on the section where people camp could be done to advantage; also there are several large dead trees on Hemlock Hill which should be removed.

A legible sign has been placed at the river entrance of the

reservation.

GEORGE LEWIS, JR., Chairman.

WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT HOMESTEAD

Over 500 people registered at the Homestead during 1935 as compared with 170 who registered during 1934.

L. B. FLETCHER, Executive Secretary.

LOCAL COMMITTEES OF MANAGEMENT

It is the policy of The Trustees to entrust the care of each of their reservations to a Local Reservation Committee, appointed by the Standing Committee and responsible to it. This Local Committee, acting in a voluntary capacity, is the representative of The Trustees in the administration of the property for

which it is appointed.

Our Local Committees are expected to uphold the established principles of The Trustees, bearing in mind that their main purpose is to preserve beautiful and historical places. The Trustees look with suspicion on "improvements" which may alter the character of a reservation, and they are definitely opposed to the "development" of their lands into anything like an

ordinary public park.

The management of our reservations is left to the discretion of the Local Committee, but general policies affecting administration are determined by the Standing Committee. All recommendations for land-widening, tree-felling, and similar problems materially affecting the permanent character of the area, as well as the designs for structures such as seats, shelters, or memorials, should be submitted by the Local Committee for approval before action is taken. As a general rule The Trustees want all notice-boards, litter-boxes, etc., on each property to be of a uniform character.

The Local Committee may receive income due The Trustees on account of any property, and will meet normal charges for upkeep. If any exceptional expenditures are anticipated, authorization must be secured from the Standing Committee. Lands

held by The Trustees are exempt from taxation.

Each Local Reservation Committee will submit annually to the Standing Committee a report covering its work of the year.

Special problems, not immediately soluble by a Local Committee, will be referred promptly to the office of The Trustees.

CHARLES S. BIRD, JR., For the Standing Committee.

COÖPERATING SOCIETIES

It is suggested that, in the event of any local Society expressing its willingness to coöperate with The Trustees, the following procedure should be adopted:

- 1. That the Society should appoint and regularly maintain a committee to coöperate with The Trustees, to be known as a "Committee on Scenic and Historic Preservation"; and that this local Preservation Committee should, in general, watch all beautiful and historical places within the area covered by the membership of the Society, and should inform the Standing Committee of The Trustees of any case in which their intervention might be helpful.
- 2. That a rough register of beautiful or historical places, in the region covered by the membership of the Society, should be compiled by the members of this local Preservation Committee, and that a copy of the list so compiled should be filed at the office of The Trustees.
- 3. That the members of the local Preservation Committee should, as far as possible, endeavor to influence local governments toward preservation of the beautiful and historical features of their district.
- 4. That the members of the local Preservation Committee should undertake to distribute, from time to time, literature issued by The Trustees.
- 5. That, in order to facilitate the work of The Trustees, the members of the local Preservation Committee should undertake to further the growth of membership in The Trustees.

The following pages contain a list of Societies whose officers have signified their intention to coöperate with The Trustees in the field of Preservation work.

Society	President or Secretary	CHAIRMAN OF PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
AMESBURY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION	Miss Elizabeth M. Stephan Mrs. Albert H. Chamberlain	Miss Bessie P. Goldsmith
Auburn Woman's Club		Mrs. Eugene O. Parsons
BELMONT GARDEN CLUB	Alexander Hutchins	Mrs. Ralph M. Diaz
Berlin Tuesday Club	Mrs. Everett E. Bartlett	Mrs. Waldo L. Wheeler
(BILLERICA) NINETEEN-HUNDRED CLUB	Mrs. J. Murray Cairns	Mrs. Samuel A. McQuaid
(CAMBRIDGE) CANTABRIGIA CLUB	Mrs. William M. Macnair	Mrs. James W. Whippen
CANTON GARDEN CLUB.	Mrs. Arthur G. Fletcher	Mrs. Willis S. Shepard
CAPE COD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY	Alec Bremner	Wilfred Wheeler
CHELMSFORD GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. Lester W. Ball	Miss Maud Perham
DEDHAM GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. Frank W. Kimball	Mrs. Warren G. Wheeler
DOVER WOMAN'S CLUB.	Mrs. J. W. Burnham	
DUXBURY GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. Sidney Harwood	Mrs. Charles W. Sabine
Fall River Garden Club	Mrs. Nathan Durfee	Mrs. Edward B. Jennings
EASTON, GARDEN CLUB OF	Mrs. John C. Mason	
FIELD AND FOREST CLUB	Franklin Balch	C. C. Graf
GREAT BARRINGTON GARDEN CLUB	Rev. E. Russell Bourne	Mrs. Earle Stafford
HANOVER GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. Tenney L. Davis	Miss Margaret Crowell
(HAVERHILL) WOMEN'S CITY CLUB, GARDEN DEPARTMENT	Mrs. Herman Enoch Lewis	Miss Ellen E. Dole
Holden Garden Club	Mrs. Harry Holton	Mrs. A. Kirke Warren
HOLLISTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY	Dr. Byam Hollings	Mrs. Saidee W. Tenney
HYANNIS, GARDEN CLUB OF.	Mrs. J. N. Smith	Mrs. F. G. Thacher
LAWRENCE GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. Charles A. Donovan	Mrs. Edwin A. Buthmann
LEXINGTON FIELD AND GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. Hollis Webster	

Society	President or Secretary	CHAIRMAN OF PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
LUNENBURG WOMAN'S CLUB. LYNN BIRD CLUB.	Mrs. Donald Frazer	Mrs. George H. Wakefield Alfred T. Comstock
(Marblehead) Club of Small Gardens	Mrs. B. Devereau Barker	Mrs. David C. Percival
MALDEN, GARDEN CLUB OF	Mrs. F. Chester Everett	Mrs. Morton E. Cummings Raymond Oveson
NATIONAL CIVIC FEDERATION, WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT, MASSACHU-		§ Mrs. Alexander Forbes
SETTS SECTION	Mrs. Moses Williams	Mrs. James B. Ayer
NEEDHAM GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. Frank A. Veazie	Mrs. George R. Toney
NEW BEDFORD, GARDEN CLUB OF GREATER	Mrs. Lucien B. Lillie	Mrs. Lucien B. Lillie
NEWTONVILLE GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. Walter S. Adams	Mrs. C. F. Frail
Dringspeed Carden Cliff	Alfred J Loveless	Afred J. Loveless
RICHMOND AND NORTHERN BERKSHIRE, GARDEN CLUB OF	Mrs. W. Rockwood Gibbs	Mrs. Edward A. Jones
ROCKPORT WOMAN'S CLUB	Mrs. Henry A. Frost	Mrs. Gertrude W. Blossom
South Shore Nature Club	Laurence B. Fletcher	Dr. Oliver H. Howe
Star Island Club	Miss Eva B. Wheeler	H. H. Searles
TAUNTON GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. Rufus Wood	A. Cleveland Bent
Topsfield Garden Club	Miss Katherine Wellman	Mrs. Benjamin Ragle
Waltham Woman's Club, Garden Club of the	Mrs. George F. Warren	Mrs. Frank O. Harrell
WAYLAND GARDEN CLUB	Mrs. George E. French	Miss Margaret E. Wheeler
West Boylston Woman's Club	Mrs. Leon Wilcox	Mrs. F. E. Adams
Weymouth Monday Club	Mrs. Wilfred H. Bartlett	Mrs. John McIsaac
Williamsburg Woman's Club	Mrs. C. A. Tiley	Miss Dorothea W. Ward
Winthrop, Garden Club of	Mrs. Robert A. Walsh	Mrs. E. C. R. Bagley

Societies Coöperating with The Trustees, 1935

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

SECURITIES HELD FOR THE TRUSTEES

\$2,000	American Telephone & Telegraph Co. Conv. 4s, 1936
4,000	American Telephone & Telegraph Co. Coll. Tr. 5s, 1946
3,000	Baltimore & Ohio R. R. 1st 5s (S. W. Div), 1950
10,000	Central Illinois Public Service Co. 1st & Ref. 5s, 1956
2,000	Central Pacific Railway 1st & Ref. 4s, 1949
1,000	Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R. R. 3½s, 1949
4,000	Chicago Junction Rys. & Union Stock Yards 5s, 1940
11,000	Columbus Ry. Power & Light Co. 4½s, 1957
2,000	Columbus Ry. Power & Light Co. 1st & Coll. Tr. 4s, 1965
3,000	Commonwealth Edison Co. 1st 4s, Series F, 1981
5,000	Consolidated Gas Co. of New York 20 Yr. Deb. 4½s, 1951
5,000	Consumers Power Co. 1st & Ref. 5s, 1936
500	Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham R. R. Inc. 5s, 1934
2,000	Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham R. R. Gen'l 4s, 1934
2,000	New England Telephone & Telegraph Co. 1st 5s, Series A, 1952
5,000	New York, New Haven & Hartford R.R. Deb. 4s, 1955
5,000	Pennsylvania Co. 28 Yr. 4s, 1963
3,000	Portland Gas & Coke Co. 1st & Ref. 5s, 1940
3,000	Potomac Edison Co. 1st 5s, Series E, 1956
2,000	Virginia Electric & Power Co. 1st & Ref. 4s, Series A, 1955
55 shs.	American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

GENERAL FUND

GENERAL PUND		
January 1, 1935, Balance		\$3,301.61
Income from securities	\$4,040.29	
General Fund Contributions	1,101.50	
Membership Contributions	636.15	
Associate Memberships	2,131.00	
Life Associates	900.00	
\$3,000 San Joaquin Light & Power Co. Un. & Ref.	300.00	
5s, called @ 103¾	3,112.50	
\$2,000 Western Electric Co. Deb. 5s, called @ 105	2,100.00	
\$2,000 Philadelphia Suburban Water Co. 4½s,	,	
called @ 104	2,080.00	
\$4,000 Railway & Light Securities Co. Coll. Tr.	-,	
5s called @ 102	4,080.00	
\$1,000 Standard Oil Co. of New York Deb. 4½s,	1,000.00	
called @ 101	1,010.00	
\$2,000 Virginia Electric & Power Co. 1st & Ref.	1,010.00	
	2,080.00	
5s, called @ 104	2,080.00	
Received on exchange of \$2,000 Virginia Electric &	100.00	
Power Co. 5½s for 5s	100.00	
Proportion Boston Office Expense:	10.00	
From Mount Ann Park	43.02	
Petticoat Hill	44.45	
Monument Mountain Reservation	191.00	
Bryant Homestead	417.96	
Whitney Woods	122.34	24,190.21
Carried forward	•	\$27,491.82

Brought forward		\$27,491.82
Salaries and wages	\$3,865.00	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Printing, stationery, office supplies, postage	1,515.74	
Office rent, light, and telephone	1,763.18	
Travel expense	124.63	
Services and expenses of Field Secretary	918.30	
Lantern slides	85.91	
Miscellaneous	241.26	
Contribution to expenses of Lot A, Halibut Point,		
Rockport	80.43	
Bought \$2,000 Central Pacific Railway 1st & Ref.4s	1,985.42	
Bought \$5,000 Pennsylvania Co. 28 Year 4s	5,000.00	
Bought \$2,000 Columbus Ry. Power & Light 4s.	2,030.00	
Bought \$2,000 Virginia Electric & Power Co. 1st &	,	
Ref. 4s, A	2,110.00	
Deficits transferred to this account:	·	
From Rocky Narrows Reservation	30.54	
Goodwill Park	30.00	
Income allocated to other Funds	1,787.89	21,568.30
January 1, 1936, Balance		\$5,923.52

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTIES AND ACCOUNTS

GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH FUND \$307.51 25.35 January 1, 1936, Balance..... \$332.86 GOODWILL PARK Travel expense..... \$5.00 25.00 Planting dogwood.... \$30.00 Deficit transferred to General Fund..... \$30.00 GOVERNOR HUTCHINSON'S FIELD January 1, 1935, Balance..... \$222.40 January 1, 1936, Balance..... \$222.40

MONUMENT MOUNTAIN RESER	VATION	
January 1, 1935, BalanceIncome allocated to this account from General Fund	\$491.96 272.06	\$764.02
Maintenance—services and labor	\$134.00	
Travel expense. Miscellaneous expense.	10.00 .04	
Paid General Fund proportion Boston office expense	191.00	335.04
January 1, 1936, Balance		\$428.98
MOUNT ANN PARK		
January 1, 1935, Balance	\$128.84	
Income allocated to this account from General Fund	43.23	\$172.07
Travel expense	\$6.50	
Two large signs. Paid General Fund proportion Boston office expense	100.00	
Paid General Fund proportion Boston office expense	43.02	149.52
January 1, 1936, Balance		\$22.55
PETTICOAT HILL		
January 1, 1935, Balance	\$134.58	
Income allocated to this account from General Fund	43.23	\$177.81
Travel expense	\$5.00	
Other expense	5.00 44.45	54.45
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January 1, 1936, Balance		\$123.36
ROCKY NARROWS		
Paid for signs		\$30.54
Deficit transferred to General Fund		\$30.54
WHITNEY WOODS		
January 1, 1935, Balance	\$26.96	
Income allocated to this account from General Fund	462.42	\$489.38
Maintenance—wardens, signs, maps, supplies	\$240.58	
Cost of building two fireplaces	33.62 4.20	
Bought used Ford automobile	4.20 35.00	
Automobile registration and insurance	14.84	
Automobile supplies	10.05	
Miscellaneous expense	123.62	
Paid General Fund proportion Boston office expense	122.34	584.25
January 1, 1936, Deficit		\$94.87

WHITNEY WOODS ROADS ACC	COUNT	
January 1, 1935, Balance	\$49.37 35.00	\$84.37
Paid for snow removal. Paid for building small bridge. Paid for work on roads. Miscellaneous expense.	\$20.00 10.54 14.46 27.40	72.40
January 1, 1936, Balance		\$11.97
WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT HON	MESTEAD	
January 1, 1935, Balance Income allocated to this account from General Fund	\$740.25 941.60	\$1,681.85
Paid for Fire Insurance, 1 Year to Sept. 2,1936 Paid for General Liability Insurance, 3 Years to	\$214.38	
Sept. 2, 1938.	29.70	
Travel expense	27.85	
Miscellaneous expense	30.02	719.91
Paid General Fund proportion Boston office expense	417.96	\$961.94
January 1, 1936, Balance		φου1.ση
MEDFIELD RHODODENDRO January 1, 1935, Balance	ONS \$154.39 222.50	\$376.89
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Paid for planting shrubs. Paid for running lines and marking same. Paid for signs. Paid for hauling and spreading gravel. Travel expense.	\$122.50 69.35 33.90 7.50 9.08	
Miscellaneous expense	29.37	271.70
January 1, 1936, Balance		\$105.19
DINOSAUR FOOTPRINTS		
Contributions		\$300.00
Payment on account of purchase	\$800.00	φυσσ.σσ
Expense in connection with purchase	175.32	
Travel expense	50.00 14.92	1,040.24
January 1, 1936, Deficit		\$740.24
MISERY ISLAND		\$4,625.00
Endowment Fund		\$4,625.00

TRIAL BALANCE

Dinosaur Footprints	\$740.24	General Fund	\$5,923.52
Whitney Woods	94.87 $11,922.66$	George Wigglesworth Fund Governor Hutchinson's	332.86
Casii	11,522.00	Field	222.40
	,	Monument Mountain Res-	
		ervation	428.98
		Mount Ann Park	22.55
		Petticoat Hill	123.36
		Whitney Woods Roads	
		Account	11.97
		William Cullen Bryant	
		Homestead	961.94
		Medfield Rhododendrons.	105.19
		Misery Island	4,625.00
	\$12,757.77		\$12,757.77

JOHN S. AMES, Treasurer.

The undersigned has examined the accounts and vouchers of The Trustees of Public Reservations for the year ending December 31, 1935, and finds them correctly cast and properly vouched.

The securities called for by the foregoing account were exhibited.

ROGER PIERCE, Committee on Audit.

ACT OF INCORPORATION, AND BY-LAWS

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC RESERVATIONS

Chapter 352, Acts of 1891 Massachusetts General Court

Section 1. Frederick L. Ames, Philip A. Chase, Christopher Clarke, Charles R. Codman, Elisha S. Converse, George F. Hoar, John J. Russell, Leverett Saltonstall, Charles S. Sargent, Nathaniel S. Shaler, George Sheldon, William S. Shurtleff, George H. Tucker, Francis A. Walker, George Wigglesworth, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of The Trustees of Public Reservations, for the purpose of acquiring, holding, arranging, maintaining, and opening to the public, under suitable regulations, beautiful and historical places and tracts of land within this Commonwealth, with the powers and privileges and subject to the duties set forth in chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Public Statutes and in such other general laws as now are or hereafter may be in force relating to such corporations; but said corporation shall have no capital stock.

Section 2. Said corporation may acquire and hold by grant, gift, devise, purchase, or otherwise, real estate such as it may deem worthy of preservation for the enjoyment of the public, but not exceeding one million dollars in value, and such other property, both real and personal, as may be necessary or proper to support or promote the objects of the corporation, but not exceeding in the aggregate the further sum of one million dollars.

Section 3. All personal property held by said corporation, and all lands which it may cause to be opened and kept open to the public, and all lands which it may acquire and hold with this object in view, shall be exempt from taxation, in the same manner and to the same extent as the property of literary, benevolent, charitable, and scientific institutions incorporated within this Commonwealth is now exempt by law; but no lands so acquired and held and not opened to the public shall be so exempt from taxation for a longer period than two years. Said corporation shall never make any division or dividend of or from its property or income among its members.

Section 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I OF TRUSTEES

1. The members of the corporation, in whom are reposed the full and exclusive duty and power to vote in respect of all matters to be acted upon at any meeting of the corporation shall be designated "Trustees." Said Trustees shall be residents of Massachusetts, their number shall not exceed one hundred, and they shall be elected for such term as the corporation at its annual meeting or meeting held in lieu thereof shall determine.

2. The Standing Committee may, if it sees fit, nominate Trustees by inserting the names of candidates upon the notice of warning of any meeting. Said Committee may, in like manner, designate the terms for which such candidates so

nominated shall be elected.

3. The election shall take place at any meeting subsequent to such notice, and shall be by ballot upon the names proposed by the Standing Committee; and any person who receives the votes of two-thirds of the Trustees present and voting, shall, on his acceptance of his election, be declared and enrolled a Trustee of the corporation. Any Trustee may resign by written notice, signed by the Trustee and delivered to the Secretary or other officer of the corporation.

ARTICLE II OF FOUNDERS, LIFE ASSOCIATES, ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AND CONTRIBUTORS

1. All persons from whom the corporation shall receive real or personal property to the value of one thousand dollars or more shall be permanently enrolled as Founders.

2. All persons not entitled to be enrolled as Founders, from whom the corporation shall receive real or personal property to the value of one hundred dollars

or more, shall be enrolled during life as Life Associates.

3. All persons not entitled to be enrolled as Founders or Life Associates, from whom the corporation shall receive ten or more dollars, shall be enrolled as Associate Members for the year in which payment of such sum is made.

4. All persons from whom the corporation shall receive any sum less than ten dollars, shall be enrolled as Contributors for the year in which payment of such

sum is made.

5. But no donor of money or property coming under the four classifications above named shall be a member of the corporation unless and until duly elected

as provided in Article I as amended.

6. Notwithstanding that such Founders, Life Associates, Associate Members and Contributors shall not be subject to any duty or responsibility in the management or affairs of the corporation, they may in meeting of the persons mentioned in the foregoing paragraphs Nos. 1 to 4, both inclusive, convened at the direction of the Standing Committee, take advisory action and make recommendations in respect of any matter submitted to such meeting. At any such meeting each person shall be entitled to one vote to be cast in person or by proxy. The President of the corporation or, in his absence, the Chairman of the Standing Committee, shall preside, and the Secretary of the corporation shall keep the minutes.

ARTICLE III OF MEETINGS

1. The annual meeting of the corporation shall be held on the last Wednesday in January, in Boston, or at such other city or town in the Commonwealth, and at such time and place, as the Standing Committee may determine. A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of not less than seven members, but a majority of the members present and voting may adjourn any meeting from time to time until the business shall have been finished.

In the event of the annual meeting, by mistake or otherwise, not being called and held as herein prescribed, the Standing Committee shall order a special meeting to be called and held in lieu of and for the purposes of the annual meeting.

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Special meetings of the corporation may be called by the Standing Committee to meet at any time and place. A quorum at a special meeting shall consist of

not less than seven numbers.

2. At all meetings the President shall take the chair as soon as a quorum is present; and the record of the preceding meeting shall then be read, unless such reading is dispensed with by the unanimous consent of those present. After which at all special meetings the business for which the meeting was called shall be transacted, and at the annual meeting the order of business shall be as follows:

First.—The unfinished business and the assignments of the last meeting shall

be announced by the Secretary to the President and taken up in order.

Second.—The Secretary shall be called on to submit a written report of the doings of the Standing Committee for the year ending with the previous 31st of

December.

Third.—The Treasurer shall be called upon to submit a written report of his doings for the year ending with the previous 31st of December, and the financial condition of the corporation of that date.

Fourth.—The Committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts shall be called on

for a report.

Fifth.—Any special committee which may have been appointed during the year shall be called on to report.

Sixth.—If the Standing Committee shall have proposed changes in the By-

laws, the same shall be voted upon as provided in Article VII.

Seventh.—If the Standing Committee shall have made any nominations to membership in the corporation, an election shall be held as provided in Article I. Eighth.—An election of officers for the ensuing year shall be held, as provided

in Article IV, Section 1.

Ninth.—On the announcement of the vote the newly elected President shall take the chair, and shall give the members present an opportunity to present new business.

Tenth.—The newly elected President shall appoint a committee to audit the

Treasurer's accounts.

ARTICLE IV OF OFFICERS

1. The officers of the corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be ex-officiis members of the Standing Committee, which shall consist of nine persons in all. The officers and the Standing Committee shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of the corporation, an adjournment thereof, or at a meeting in lieu of such annual meeting, as above provided; and they shall hold their offices for three years or for such shorter term as the corporation at its annual meeting or meeting in lieu thereof shall determine, or until others are duly chosen and qualified in their stead.

2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the corporation. If he is absent, the Vice President, and, if the Vice President is also absent, a President pro tempore, chosen by hand vote of the members of the corporation present, shall preside, and shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the

President.

3. The Secretary shall warn the members of all meetings of the corporation, according as he may be directed by votes of the Standing Committee. He shall call the meetings of the Standing Committee as he may be directed by the chairman of the committee or on the request in writing of any two members thereof. He shall carry on all the correspondence of the corporation not otherwise provided for, and shall, when the correspondence is of importance, preserve copies of the letters sent and the original letters received, for transmission with his records to his successor in office. He shall keep an exact record of all meetings of the corporation and of the Standing Committee, with the names of the members present, entering in full all reports of committees, which may be accepted, by either body, unless otherwise directed.

At the January meeting of the Standing Committee he shall make a written report of the doings of that body for the year ending on the previous 31st of December; and, if the report is approved, he shall present it at the annual meet-

ing of the corporation.

4. The Treasurer shall, when directed, as provided in the next paragraph, make disbursements; and he shall also collect all moneys due to the corporation, and shall keep regular and faithful account of all the moneys and funds of the corporation which shall come into his hands and of all receipts and expenditures connected with the same, which accounts shall always be open to the inspection of members of the corporation. He shall make no investments and pay no moneys without either the approval of a majority of the Standing Committee or else of such officer or committee as said Standing Committee shall appoint to act for it in these matters. At the January meeting of the Standing Committee he shall make a written report of his doings for the year ending on the previous 31st of December; and, if his report is approved, he shall present it at the annual meeting of the corporation.

ARTICLE V

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

The Standing Committee shall, at the first meeting after the annual meeting of the corporation in each year, elect a chairman, whose duty it shall be to preside at all meetings of the committee. In his absence a chairman pro tempore may be chosen by hand vote. The Standing Committee shall meet at least once in every month, and a quorum shall consist of not less than three members. The Standing Committee may nominate or refuse to nominate new members of the corporation, may accept or decline gifts offered to the corporation, may approve or disapprove investments or expenditures proposed by the Treasurer, may approve or disapprove all bills against the corporation, may appoint subcommittees of their number, or committees consisting of members or other persons not members, may appoint and remove agents, may engage whatever assistance is needed to administer the affairs of the corporation, may designate such agents and employees by such titles as they may deem proper, and, in general, may exercise all the executive powers of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI OF THE SEAL

The corporate seal shall be a circular, flat-faced die of about an inch and a half in diameter, with the name of the corporation, the year of its organization, the word "Massachusetts" and the figure of a pine tree so engraved on its face that it can be embossed on paper by pressure.

ARTICLE VII

OF AMENDMENTS

At any annual meeting of the corporation, or at a special meeting called for the purpose, these By-laws may be amended, altered or repealed by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, provided that notice of such proposed change shall have been given in the call of the meeting.

OFFICERS

1891-1936

	PF	RESI	DE	NT					
GEORGE F. HOAR									1891-1904
CHARLES W. ELIOT .									1905-1926
GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH									1926-1930
CHARLES S. RACKEMANN									1930-1933
HERBERT PARKER									1933-
VI	CE-	PRI	ESID	EN'	Т				
WILLIAM S. SHURTLEFF									1891-1895
GEORGE SHELDON									1896-1916
JOHN S. AMES GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH									1917-1920
GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH									1922-1926
HENRY P. WALCOTT .									1926-1932
ROBERT WALCOTT									1932-
CHAIRMAN OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE									
PHILIP A. CHASE									1891-1893
CHARLES ELIOT									1894-1897
PHILIP A. CHASE									1897-1903
HENRY P. WALCOTT .									1903-1926
CHARLES S. RACKEMANN									1926-1933
CHARLES S. BIRD, JR.									1933-
GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH									1891-1920
JOHN S. AMES									1921-
	SEC	CRE	TAI	RY					
CHARLES ELIOT									1891-1893
HENRY R. SHAW									1894
JOHN WOODBURY									1894-1924
CHARLES W. ELIOT 2ND									1925-1926
HENRY M. CHANNING									1926-

FORM OF BEQUEST

I give to The Trustees of Public Reservations, created by
chapter 352 of the Acts of the Legislature of Massachusetts
for the year 1891, the sum of

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Societies and individuals interested in Massachusetts history, natural history, scenery, and town and country improvement, are invited to contribute to the working funds of this Board. The Treasurer is John S. Ames, 96 Ames Building, Boston.

Henry M. Channing, Secretary

Laurence B. Fletcher, Executive Secretary
50 Congress Street, Boston

Bradford Williams, Field Secretary



OES not the landscape deserve attention? What are the natural features which make a township handsome?

A river, with its waterfalls and meadows, a lake, a hill, a cliff or individual rocks, a forest, and ancient trees standing singly. Such things are beautiful; they have a high use which dollars and cents never represent.

If the inhabitants of a town were wise, they would seek to preserve these things, though at a considerable expense. . .

It would be worth while if in each town a committee were appointed to see that the beauty of the town received no detriment. If we have the biggest bowlder in the country, then it should not belong to an individual, nor be made into a doorstep. As in many countries precious metals belong to the crown, so here more precious natural objects of rare beauty should belong to the public.

HENRY DAVID THOREAU